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## FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND IMPERIAL TROOPS SAFELY EVACUATED FROM GREECE: MR. CHURCHILL DISCLOSES CASUALTY FIGURES IN COMMONS

AT LEAST THREE-QUARTERS OF THE IMPERIAL FORCES LANDED IN GREECE HAVE BEEN SAFELY EVACUATED AFTER ONE OF THE GREATEST REAR-GUARD ACTIONS IN HISTORY AND HAVE REACHED THEIR BASES SAFELY, STATES A REUTER MESSAGE.

CASUALTIES, KILLED AND WOUNDED, NUMBER ABOUT 3,000 AND 45,000 GOT AWAY FROM THE GREEK MAINLAND.

YESTERDAY'S COMMUNIQUE FROM HEADQUARTERS SAID THAT THE WITHDRAWAL WAS CONTINUING SATISFACTORILY.

## Extravagant Claims Made By The Enemy

In announcing this to the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Winston Churchill, Prime Minister, said:

"As I am most anxious to give the House, the nation and the Empire information at the earliest possible moment and also in view of the extravagant claims made by the enemy, I think it right now to give the figures on the evacuation of Empire forces from Greece."

"Up to the time that the evacuation seemed to be inevitable, we had landed about 60,000 troops in Greece, and of that total at least 45,000 have been evacuated."

## FURTHER SACRIFICE OF B.E.F. WOULD HAVE BEEN IN VAIN: GREEK NOTE

LONDON, April 30 (B.W.)—The translation of the document in which the Greek Government on April 21 informed His Majesty's Government that a further sacrifice of the British Expeditionary Force would be in vain and advised its withdrawal, is now published.

It is as follows:

"The Greek Government, while expressing to the British Government and to the gallant Imperial troops of their gratitude for the aid which they have extended to Greece in her defence against the unjust aggressor, are obliged to make the following statement:

"After having conducted more than six months of victorious struggle against strongly superior enemy forces, the Greek army has now reached the state of exhaustion and, moreover, finds itself completely deprived of certain resources indispensable for the pursuit of war, such as munitions, motorised vehicles and aeroplanes—resources with which it was, in any case, inadequately supplied from the outbreak of hostilities—this state of things makes it impossible for the Greeks to continue the struggle with any chance of success and deprives them of all hope of being able to lend some assistance to their valiant allies."

"Any useful effect would have no other result than to bring the collapse of the Greek army and bloodshed useless to the Allied forces."

"Consequently, the Royal Government is obliged to state that further sacrifice of the British Expeditionary Force would be in vain and that its withdrawal in time seems to be rendered necessary by circumstances and by interests common to the struggle."

CHINA NOT AFFECTED

CHUNGKING, April 30 (Reuter)—The Soviet Government's decision, signed by the Foreign Trade Commissar yesterday, to prohibit the passage of war material through the Soviet Union has caused lively displeasure in Japanese military circles, says a Shanghai despatch to the Independent French Agency.

The Japanese declare that the immediate consequence of the Soviet decree will be to render inoperative the recent German-Japanese agreement providing for the exchange of German aircraft and arms in return for certain naval units.

CHINA NOT AFFECTED

CHUNGKING, April 30 (Reuter)—The Soviet ruling in banning the transit of war materials is not expected to affect supplies to China.

It is emphasized that the Burma Road always was, and will be, China's main supply route after the Japanese occupation of Northern Indo-China.

## Today's News Summary

A STATEMENT ON the evacuation of Imperial forces from Greece was made by the British Prime Minister in the House of Commons yesterday. The text of a document from the Greek Government to His Majesty's Government is also published.

IT WAS DISCLOSED by the Chief of Operations, Admiral Stark, that substantial portions of the U.S. naval expansion programme are running ahead of schedule. The aircraft-carrier programme alone would give America the most mobile and most powerful fleet air arm in existence.

MANHEIM WAS RAIDED by bombers of the Royal Air Force on Tuesday night while Plymouth was once again the main target of enemy air activity over Britain. It is feared that casualties will be heavy.

TWELVE-THOUSAND fully-equipped German troops have landed in Finland according to the Moscow Wireless.

THE PASSAGE OF war materials across Russia has been prohibited according to a decree announced in Moscow.

A STATEMENT ON the defences of Malaya has been made by the British Commander-in-Chief in the Far East.

## Remarkable Performance By Air Force

"CONSIDERING THAT OUR AIR FORCE, THROUGH THE SUPERIORITY OF ENEMY FORCES, HAD TO LEAVE THE AIRFIELDS FROM WHICH IT COULD LEND EFFECTIVE POWER TO THE RETREAT OF THE TROOPS, AND ONLY A SMALL PORTION COULD COVER THE PORTS OF EMBARKATION, THIS MUST BE CONSIDERED REMARKABLE."

"The conduct of our troops and the establishing of our rear-guard merits the highest praise."

"This is the first instance that air power has failed to break the discipline and order of marching columns, in addition to the fact that we were pursued by three German armoured divisions and the whole strength of the mechanised force which could be brought to bear."

Mr. Churchill said that there were about 3,000 casualties killed and wounded and this was a very small number when compared with the losses inflicted on the Germans.

"Some times for two days at a time," he added, "we brought the enemy to a standstill with forces one-fifth of their number."

### LOUD CHEERS

The House cheered loudly when Mr. Churchill said, "I don't say that it will be possible to give a fuller account in the coming debate but I have said enough to show the House that, painful as our losses are, we have much to be thankful for."

Replying to supplementary questions, Mr. Churchill said that the figure of 45,000 was based only on information as it was given to him, and added that heavy equipment could not, of course, be removed, but he pointed out that the Germans had no shortage of heavy equipment.

### TOMISLAV "SOLD"

SHANGHAI, April 30 (Reuter)—The incident is now considered closed, state the Japanese authorities today concerning the fate of the Yugoslav steamer Tomislav.

The steamer has now been duly "sold" to Lloyd Triestino interests and it will be regarded a part of the Italian's merchant fleet, they state.

## NO NEWS OF OPERATIONS IN GREECE

LONDON, April 30 (Reuter)—There has been no news of the operations in Greece since Tuesday night's Cairo communiqué, which stated that British and Anzac troops continued their withdrawal.

Commenting on the Balkan situation, Moscow Radio says that despite the loss of their positions in Greece, the situation of the British in the East Mediterranean remains stable.

The Axis advance through the Western Desert, according to the Moscow Radio, is still fraught with enormous difficulties while the control of the Red Sea secured the lifeline for supplies and reinforcements for British armies in Egypt.

VICTORY CERTAIN

CANEA, April 30 (Reuter)—"The struggle is hard but victory is certain," declared M. Aristide Dimitratos, Secretary-General of the National Labour Council of Greece in a manifesto issued in Crete for the Labour Day.

The manifesto says:

"Workers of Great Britain and other Allied countries, we make a vow that May 1, 1942 will mark the end of frightful carnage and the triumph of moral forces and social justice."

Addressing himself to the workers of subjugated Greece, M. Dimitratos promises "we will remain trusty soldiers in the fight for your national and social emancipation."

The manifesto was also addressed to workers of America, Russia and all neutral countries to whom M. Dimitratos says:

"It is in you that we place our trust during this implacable struggle."

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## Japan Is Committed To South Expansion

LONDON, April 30 (Reuter)—

Japan is committed to the southward expansion, says the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN, and she means to dominate the Western Pacific.

How far this domination is to extend, she has not officially said, except that French Indo-China and the Dutch East Indies are certainly to come within it.

Unofficial voices, which are pushing the policy, are bolder.

Everything depends on the view which the Japanese Government takes of the obstacles before it, these have been Russia, the Sino war and the United States.

FEAR REMOVED

The Pact with Russia largely removed the first fear, yet sometimes pitter has arisen even in this sweetness, it is believed Russia will continue to support Gen. Chang Kai-shek and this is extremely serious because the second obstacle to the southward march is that the Japanese army large and costly, is still locked up in China.

The Japanese are also dubious because the Moscow Pact does not pledge Russia to cease Red intrigues in North China.

If only the Japanese could be here and be sure that the United States won't dare to move!

## MAN DIES AT AGE OF 140

CALCUTTA, April 30 (Reuter)—Assam's oldest resident has just died, aged 140.

The veteran, who is named Sar Rongfa, is survived by his wife, aged 125.

She declares she feels as strong as any of her grand-children.

Sar Rongfa held the post of village headman in the interior of Assam until his death and he still had a strong set of teeth.

## MALTA HARBOUR BOMBED

MALTA, April 30 (Reuter)—The harbour were the main target of two enemy air attacks on Malta on Monday night, it was officially announced yesterday.

Bombs also fell in a wide area causing considerable damage to civilian property and a few civilian casualties.

Yesterday morning, enemy aircraft carried out two reconnaissance flights without incident.

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## UNITED STATES NAVAL EXPANSION PROGRAMME AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Working For Balanced Fleet—Adm. Stark: Expansion Of Air Arm

WASHINGTON, April 30 (Reuter)—Substantial portions of the United States naval expansion programme are running ahead of schedule, the Chief of Naval Operations, ADMIRAL HAROLD R. STARK, told the United States Chamber of Commerce today.

The United States would share its resources to the limit of its security, he added.

This statement has caused speculation as to whether further transfers of naval vessels to Britain are imminent.

Admiral Stark also said: "We are working for a balanced fleet with proper proportion of capital ships, cruisers, aircraft-carriers, submarines, light craft, fast auxiliaries and underwater defences."

"Our aircraft-carrier programme alone will give us the most mobile and the most powerful Fleet air arm in existence."

Admiral Stark also disclosed that United States neutrality patrols are operating at some points as much as 1,000 miles from American shores.

SURVEY OF AVIATION

President Roosevelt announces he is requesting a survey to be made of the civil aviation facilities in the United States to see how many planes can be bought for the defence of the democracies.

The President said he has asked Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce, to make a survey of all civilian air lines to determine the number of planes obtainable.

He said there is a great need for them and it is hoped that a substantial number is available to be taken over.

He added that he wanted the information quickly but declined to say where the planes would go or what types were most desired.

FIX PRICES

Powers to fix prices, in the effort to forestall any runaway price inflation, may be sought by Mr. Roosevelt from Congress, the President's Secretary, Mr. Stephen Early told newsmen yesterday.

The President will discuss the matter with Mr. Leon Henderson, price stabilisation official, under the defence programme.

## 12,000 GERMAN TROOPS LAND IN FINLAND

LONDON, April 30 (British Wireless)—The landing in Finland of 12,000 German troops fully equipped, has been announced in the Soviet newspaper PRAVDA and also broadcast over the Moscow Wireless.

No confirmation of this report has yet reached London from any other source.

Meanwhile, however, it is remembered that there is an arrangement in which the Finnish Government has unfortunately acquiesced whereby German troops stationed in North Norway going on or returning from leave are granted transit facilities through Finland.

GIVEN LEAVE

It is considered possible here that with the end of winter, a somewhat larger number of troops may have been given leave. This may have given rise to the report.

It is further noted that under the agreement, the numbers going through Finland in either direction should be approximately equal. Apparently, the agreement does not include permission for the transit of military equipment.

BOMBAY, April 30 (Reuter)—When the trial of two Parsi employees of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha in Bombay, under the Defence India Rules, was taken up yesterday, the police prosecutor suggested the trial be held in camera.

The defence counsel agreeing, the magistrate adjourned the case to May 2.

## An Important Step In Monetary Co-operation

LONDON, April 30 (Reuter)—THE TIMES, in an editorial welcoming the ANGLO-AMERICAN CURRENCY AGREEMENTS WITH CHINA, says these agreements constitute an important step in monetary co-operation between the UNITED STATES on one side and CHINA on the other.

MOREOVER, THEY EXPRESS THE FRIENDSHIP AND SYMPATHY FELT BY THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING COUNTRIES FOR THE PEOPLE OF CHINA.

Their importance is appreciated in Chungking where they are warmly welcomed and they are likely to be criticised in Japan but that cannot be helped.

No amount of Japanese criticism is likely to deflect the British and American Governments.



# In the World of Sports



## SOFTBALL NOTES

## LADIES' INTERNATIONAL FINAL DISAPPOINTMENT

Gloria Mar Best Fielder: Batting Prize Won  
By Yvonne Yolle

BY R.O.Y.

Disappointing the many fans who expected to see the International crown change hands, PORTUGAL succumbed to CHINA by the comparatively wide margin of thirteen tallies to five, in the last ladies' match of the season. Also in the nature of a surprise was the convincing victory of the INDIANS over the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA in the men's section, the reigning champions retaining the Falconer Shield by six markers to two.

The Portuguese lassies started off in fine style to hold the Chinese scoreless in the first two frames while they themselves took a slim lead through Lelia Xavier in the last half of the second, but rattled badly in the third stanza to allow the Chinese lassies to garner four counters on as many hits.

After the losers had reduced the margin with a single counter through Therese Noronha, the winners put game on ice with a five-run barrage in the fourth, all these runs crossing the pan after two were out.

Rene Yuen whiffed the breeze for the first erasure and Mary Ng followed with a pop-fly to Irene Collaco. Doris Mar singled to right, Mary Mar beat out a bunt, Ulian Khoo singled to left, Lily Mar slashed one to the same spot.

Gloria Mar was given a life on Therese Noronha's miscue and Irene Pereira muffed Thelma Collaco stop-and-throw of Dot Louie's grounder in this eventful frame.

## BEYOND DOUBT

Lelia Xavier and Thelma Collaco tallied for the Portuguese in their half of the same inning only for the Chinese to put the issue beyond doubt with three tallies in the sixth and another in the seventh.

The Chinese lassies fully deserved their victory as they found opposing hurler Thelma Collaco for a total of thirteen safeties.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fifth Extra-Race Meeting to be held (weather permitting) on Saturday, 10th May, 1941, may be obtained from the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 1st May, 1941.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

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## THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

The May Race Meeting will be held at Areal Preta, Macao on Sunday 4th May, 1941, commencing at 3.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

Admission to Members' Enclosure: \$1; Public Stand: 50 cents.

By Order,

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## REVISED TENNIS FIXTURES

The following are this week's revised matches in the Colony Open and Club Tennis Championships:

THURSDAY, MAY 1

CLUB SINGLES (Semi-Finals):—  
S. E. Guest v. M. Pagh; C. H. R. Oxlaide v. F. W. Carter.

CLUB H'CAP DOUBLES:—L. M. S. Lloyd and A. D. Humphreys (3-6) v. R. H. Blake and H. C. D. Knight (4-6).

FRIDAY, MAY 2

OPEN SINGLES (Semi-Final):—  
S. A. Rumjahn v. Tsui Wai-pui.CLUB H'CAP SINGLES (Final):—  
W. Sewell (4-6) v. T. J. Gould (15-2).

CLUB H'CAP MIXED DOUBLES (Semi-Final):—C. H. R. Oxlaide and Miss Pritchard (4-6) v. J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Terrible (15-2).

OPEN FINALS

The Finals of the Open Singles and Open Doubles will be decided at the Stand Court the following week, on Wednesday, May 7, and Friday, May 9, respectively.

## CHARITY SOCCER ENCOUNTER

## Eastern And Sing Tao Draw

There was a large crowd present at the football match yesterday at Caroline Hill when SING TAO and EASTERN drew, each side scoring twice.

The match was in aid of funds for a new library of the Chinese Young Men's Journalist Association, and prior to the kick-off, the Chairman, Mr. Kao To-po, presented the captains of the teams with flags as souvenirs.

Lee Tin-sang made a welcome appearance for Sing Tao after the recent injury to his arm.

Reshuffles were made by both teams, and Fung King-cheong (Sing Tao) was on the left wing and Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern) at centre-half.

From the start, Eastern attacked strongly and it was not long before HAU CHING-TO opened their score. Receiving a pass from C. T. Tsao, he ran through to beat the goalkeeper with a well-placed shot. Sing Tao then came in for their share of the play, and TANG KWONG-SUM levelled the score from a centre. FUNG KING CHEONG gave his side the lead.

## EASTERN PRESS

In the second half, however, Sing Tao fell away, badly allowing Eastern to continually put on pressure in the goal area, and it was not long before V. K. HYUI equalled with a beautiful first-timer.

Kwok Ying-ki and Fung King-cheong were the pick of the Sing Tao forwards, while Lee Tin-sang and Hau Yung-sang, at full-back, played very well to cover a very weak intermediate trio.

Eastern were best served in attack, although their shooting left much to be desired. Hau Ching-to was the best on view. Cheung Kam-hoi in the pivotal position, played remarkably well and worked like a trojan.

The following were the teams:—

EASTERN:—Lau Hin-hon; Ng Kee-cheong; Yam Tse-hing; Lau Tse-chen; Cheung Kam-hoi; Tsui Wing-look; Li Wai-lam; Chung Yung-sum; V. K. Hyui; C. T. Tsao and Hau Ching-to.

SING TAO:—Yu Yim-tak; Hau Yung-sang; Lee Tin-sang; Lau Tin-sun; Siu Yau-sang; Fung Kwai-shing; Tang Kwong-sum; Yeung Shui-yick; Kwok Ying-ki; Ip Pak-wa and Fung King-cheong.

## SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

BADMINTON.—Colony Championships (At Kowloon C. C.)

RACING.—Entries close for Hongkong Jockey Club's Fifth Extra Race Meeting, 12 noon.

SWIMMING.—European Y.M.C.A. Swimming and Water-polo Practice (6.30-8.30 p.m.).

TENNIS.—Colony Championships, Club Championship, final—C. H. R. Oxlaide or F. W. Carter v. R. E. Guest or M. Pagh (Stand Court).

## TSUI BROTHERS ENTER FINAL WITH EASE

BY "SERVER"

Defeating G. W. SEWELL and D. M. MACDOUGALL in three straight sets at the Stand Court yesterday, TSUI WAI-PIU and TSUI YAN-PIU qualified to meet S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, holders, in the final of the Open Doubles tennis championship. The Tsuis won in 1936, 1938 and 1939.

The Tsuis were not extended at any stage and were able to win with the greatest of ease by 6-2, 6-1 and 6-2.

Incidentally, throughout the match they gained more points on their opponents' mistakes than on their own outright winners. Sewell played the better game of the losers and possessed a useful service. MacDougall was very weak on his backhand but improved later to score several points with nicely placed shots.

WAI-PIU ERRATIC

Yan-pui again outshone his elder brother who was rather erratic and was none too impressive overhead. Wai-pui will have to "buck up" when they meet the holders in the final.

The winners went into a lead of 4-0 before MacDougall won his service for their first game. Sewell followed suit but the Tsuis finally went out for set at 6-2. The second set was a one-sided affair, the losers clinching only the fifth game. There were one or two rallies in the third set but after drawing up to 4-2 the losers fell away for the Chinese to annex the set at 6-2.

TODAY'S MATCHES

There will be no Open matches this afternoon but some interesting tennis is expected in the two Club Singles semi-finals to be played.

The one in which M. Pagh, the holder, is meeting his most serious rival, Capt. R. E. Guest, will be played at the Stand Court. Pagh is favoured to enter the final.

In the other game, C. H. R. Oxlaide, who is coming on fast as a singles player, will meet F. W. Carter in what should prove a close fight.

## BICYCLE RACE FOR SCHOOLS

An inter-school bicycle race, organised by the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Kowloon, will be held at the end of this month.

Each school in the Colony is allowed to recommend two students for the contest before May 10. The individual champion will be awarded a new bicycle, given by the Union Bicycle Factory and a motor headlight and a pair of skates will be the prizes for the second and third places.

The winning unit will receive a silver cup.

The race will be over 25 miles, from Tsui Wan to Un Long.

It is learned that 16 schools have entered for the race the date for which will be announced later.

## TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS

LONDON, Apr. 30 (Reuters) —

The following alterations have been made in the probables for the Two Thousand Guineas:

Richardson rides King's Jester. Arthur Wragg rides Annatom. Jones Burning Bow, Lowry, Camperdown and Carey Sunny Island.

Other starters are:

Mr. Sawyer (Bridgeland), Usenje (E. Smith), Devonian (Perryman), Selim Hassan (Beary), Sollum (C. Richards), Starwot (J. Taylor), Morogoro (H. Wragg), Owen Tudor (G. Richards), Newcastle (Beasley), Orthodox (E. Smith), The Derby Star (Maher), Sunray, Chanda (Lacey), Lambersmuel (Elliott), Falry Prince (Lane).

SING TAO:—Yu Yim-tak; Hau Yung-sang, Lee Tin-sang; Lau Tin-sun, Siu Yau-sang, Fung Kwai-shing; Tang Kwong-sum, Yeung Shui-yick; Kwok Ying-ki; Ip Pak-wa and Fung King-cheong.

Whites Defeat Blues

Owing to the non-appearance of some members of the European Y.M.C.A. water-polo team in their friendly game with Middlesex Regiment yesterday, a mixed game was played instead, resulting in a win for the Whites over Blues by six goals to three.

Scorers for Whites were Paul (2), May, Thom (2) and Goldman. The Blues scored through Burridge, Bear and Birdsey.

F. Willis refereed and the teams were:

WHITES:—Memchen (Midd.), Ure (Midd.), Burkitt (Midd.), May (Y.), Goldman (Y.), Paul (Y.) and Thom (Midd.).

BLUES:—Jennings (Midd.), Railton (Y.), Bear (Y.), Baker (Midd.), Burridge (Midd.), Birdsey (Midd.) and Quickeenden (Midd.).

## Honours Fairly Evenly Divided On Second Day Of Area Athletic Meet

## SURPRISE DEFEAT OF MIDDLESEX REGIMENT IN JAVELIN THROW

THE AREA ATHLETIC MEETING was continued yesterday at Nanking Barracks, Shamshuipo, the day's surprise being the defeat of Middlesex Regiment, in the Javelin Throw, the 12th Coastal Regt. R.A. winning the event by six feet and providing also the best individual throw of the morning.

Bidding well for the final afternoon's competition today, honours yesterday were fairly evenly divided between the 8th Coastal Regt. R.A., the 5/7th Rajput Regiment, the 12th Coastal Regt. R.A., the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regt., the Hongkong Regt. H.K.S.R.A., and the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots.

Long Jump: Won by 5/7th Rajput Regt., 40 feet 34 ins., 2nd Bn. H.K.S.R.A., 38 ft. 94 ins., 3rd Bn. Middlesex Regt., 38 ft. 9 ins. Individual best: Gnr. Chandabhan Singh (5/7th Rajput Regt.) 20 feet 3 inches.

Pole Vault: Won by 8th Coastal Regt. R.A., 19 ft. 3 ins., 2nd 1st Mx Regt., 18 ft. 9 ins., 3rd H.K.S.R.A., 18 ft. 6 ins. Best

Individual: Kundan Singh (H.K.S.R.A.) 10 ft.

Three Mile Team Race: 1st H.K.S.R.A., 22 points, 2nd 8th Coastal Regt. R.A., 28 pts., 3rd 12th Coastal Regt. R.A., 55 pts. Individual winner: L/Nk. Mohd. Sheriff (8th Coastal R.A.), 2nd Gnr. Lukhman Khan (H.K.S.R.A.), 3rd Hav. Karam Bux (H.K.S.R.A.). Time: 15 mins. 47 3/5 secs.

UNIT'S STANDINGS

Standings to date:—

8th Coastal Regt. R.A., Distance: 298 feet 4 ins., 2nd Mx Regt., 292 ft. 5 ins., 3rd 8th Coastal Regt. R.A., 284 ft. 24 ins. Best Distance: 168 ft. 5 ins. by 12th Coastal Regt. R.A. 56 ft. 5th A.A. Regt., 52 ft.; 2nd Bn. Royal Scots 49 ft.; 5/7th Bn. Rajput Regt., 44 ft.; 2/14th Punjab Regt. by 165 ft. 14 ins.

One Mile Relay: Heat 1—Won by 8th Coastal Regt. R.A. (Hav. Major Sher-Baz, Nk. Joginder Singh, Nk. Murad Khan and L/Nk. Mohan Singh), 2nd 5th A.A. Regt. Time: 3 mins. 46 secs. Heat 2: Won by Mx Regt. (McGrady, Goodfair, Cox, Williams), 2nd Royal Scots. Time: 3 mins. 43 secs.

High Jump: Tied for 1st 5/7th Rajput Regt. and 8th Coastal Regt. R.A. Height: 10 ft. 10 ins. 3rd 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. 10 ft. 9 ins. Best Individual: Gnr. Chanda-Bhan Singh (5/7th Rajput Regt.) 5 ft. 7 ins.

480 Yards High Hurdles Relay: Heat 1—Won by 8th Coastal Regt. R.A. (Capt. Skipwith, Marshall, Woosan Singh and Jherra Khan) 2nd 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. Time: 1 J.R. Hunter, G. E. Willerton, S. G. Smith and R. McKenzie.

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### AGED CHINESE SHOT DEAD

An aged Chinese by the name of Kao Chih-yun was shot dead on Avenue Edward VII, Shanghai, instantly. The assassin and the three other men all escaped.

The motive for killing is unknown. (Central News).

## COMING EVENTS

### MAY

1-Tides: High 12.33 a.m. and 11.17 p.m. Low: 5.04 a.m. and 7.06 p.m. Sunrise: 5.51 a.m.; Sunset: 6.30 p.m.

"Y" A.D.C. Presentation, "Mrs. Dot," in aid of War Charities at Home, 9.15 p.m.

St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

Entries Close for Fifth Extra Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, noon.

W.D.M.A. Committee Meeting, St. Andrew's Church, 5.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship Committee Meeting, 6.15 p.m.

Heaven May Christian Fellowship Meeting, 10.30 a.m.

Y's Men's Club Tidin, St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.

Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Cheer Club Bridge and Mahjong, St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

2-Tides: High 1.52 a.m. and 11.51 p.m. Low: 5.20 a.m. and 7.37 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.51 a.m.; Sunset: 6.51 p.m.

H.K. Chamber Music Club Concert, Government House, 9.15 p.m.

"Y" A.D.C. Presentation, "Mrs. Dot," in aid of War Charities at Home, 9.15 p.m.

St. Andrew's Church Intercession Service, 6.30 p.m.

Lecture: Volunteer Nursing Detachment, A.R.P. Hqrs, 5.30 p.m.

Cheer Club Darts and Table Tennis.

Ladies' Working Party (H.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

3-Tides: High 3.02 a.m. and 12.44 p.m. Low: 5.44 a.m. and 9 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.50 a.m.; Sunset: 6.51 p.m.

Claims against Estate of late Mr. J. A. da Silva due.

"Y" A.D.C. Presentation, "Mrs. Dot," in aid of War Charities at Home, 9.15 p.m.

Chinese Youth Day Celebration Meeting, Chinese YMCA.

C.M.S. Heep Yun School Physical Training Display, 3 p.m.

Cyclone Softball Club Dance, Peninsula Hotel.

4-Tides: High 4.03 a.m. and 1.47 p.m. Low: 6.25 a.m. and 10.07 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.49 a.m.; Sunset: 6.51 p.m.

Tea Dance in Aid of St. Vincent de Paul's Society, Club Lustiano

5-Tides: High 5.08 a.m. and 3.67 p.m. Low: 7.58 a.m. and 11.07 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.49 a.m.; Sunset: 6.52 p.m.

Macao Jockey Club Meeting, Areal Preita, Macao.

6-Tides: High 5.47 a.m. and 4.37 p.m. Low: 10.47 a.m. and 11.38 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.

100 Local Time Signal!

1.01 Benno Molsevitch (Piano) & Emanuel Feuermann (Cello).

(a) Flirtations in a Chinese Garden; (b) Rush Hour in Hongkong (Chasins); Impromptu in A Flat (Chopin); Benno Molsevitch (Piano) Tangu (Albeniz); Orientale (Cello) — Emanuel Feuermann (Cello).

Invitation to the Waltz (Weber) — Benno Molsevitch (Piano). Her Bright Smile Haunts me Still (Wrightson); Gavotte and Allegro (Valentini) — Emanuel Feuermann (Cello).

1.30 Rester and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Variety.

Organ — Berceuse de Jocelyn (Goddard); Melody in F (Rubinstein) — Edward O'Hearn; Vocal — You Are My Love Song; My Heart Will Be Dancing (both from film "Lilac Domino") — Michael Bartlett (Tenor), Organ — "Show of Shows" — Selection — Edward O'Hearn with New Mayfair Orchestra.

Vocal — There's Something in the Air (from "Banjo on my Knee") — Ruth Etting with Orchestra; Two Pianos — Slow Fox-Trot Medley — Intro: Some Many Memories; Don't Ever Change; Little Heaven of the Seven Seas — Jack Dent and Norrie Moore.

1.50 London Relay — The News and Commentary.

1.55 Selections from Musical Comedy.

"Home & Beauty" (C. B. Cochran) — Magda Neeld, Janet Lind, and Webster Booth; "Charlot's Masquerade" — Selection — New Mayfair Orchestra.

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## ENEMY DRIVE ON EGYPT HALTED NEAR SOLLUM

### GERMAN TROOPS EXPERIENCING HARDSHIPS OF DESERT WARFARE

CAIRO, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — Enemy troops on the Egyptian frontier, said a military spokesman, had reached a point about five miles east of Sollum and had halted there. It was difficult to determine whether the halt was due to the harassing action of the British patrols, R.A.F. bombing, supply problems or sandstorms. The halt was probably due to a combination of all four factors.

Enemy troops are now spread out in a long straggling line from Tripoli to Sollum. There are minor groups round Bardia and Tobruk. The head of their advance consists of three columns—one on the coastal road and two on a higher escarpment. All three have halted near Sollum.

German troops particularly, the spokesman continued, are now experiencing the difficulties of desert warfare, namely water shortage, transport problems and that hot dusty wind which, according to an Arab proverb, justifies wife murder if it continues for five days.

The situation in Libya generally, the spokesman said, is viewed in Cairo with calm optimism.

The R.A.F. attacked Junkers troop-carrying planes embarking enemy troops, at Benina aerodrome, near Benghazi, again on Monday. One plane was destroyed and a number of others were severely damaged.

Considerable casualties were inflicted among the troops, adds the R.A.F. communiqué.

**FLANK EXPOSED**  
The first German-Italian attempt to dash across the Egyptian frontier resulted in a sharp rebuff for the enemy. A mobile column on Monday swept down the escarpment which runs close to the sea at Sollum and tried to break through along the coastal road.

The enemy thus exposed their right flank to one of the most famous regiments of the British Army and when they came up against frontal opposition, they had to retreat hastily to their former positions. They retired under heavy fire and suffered very heavy casualties.

British armoured forces are meanwhile sweeping ceaselessly across the great desert plateau on top of the escarpment to counter any attempt to circle round our left flank.

At the moment the Germans are apparently pausing to think where next to direct their own and the Italian's efforts.

**DARING FEAT**

A feat which was described by a senior R.A.F. officer as "the most outstanding example of personal initiative and daring I have yet seen" was performed yesterday by a Canadian pilot.

The pilot, who was flying on reconnaissance in a newly-arrived American plane, saw a large number of Junkers 52's (troop-carrying planes) lined up wing to wing on Benina aerodrome, near Benghazi. He asked his crew whether they were willing to attack despite the fact that the flight was purely a reconnaissance one.

"Sure, let's have a crack at them" was the reply.

He thereupon dived down from 12,000 feet until he was only 50 feet above the ground and flew straight across the line of German

### U.S. Warships May Enter Combat Zones

WASHINGTON, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — United States warships may enter the combat zones if necessary in the interests of the defence of the Western Hemisphere. President Roosevelt announced at a press conference yesterday.

He added that the area of combat activities delineated by Germany round the British Isles had nothing to do with United States warships. They would go into it if necessary for the defence of the Western Hemisphere but that did not mean that they were going in.

**NAZI THREAT**  
BERLIN, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — President Roosevelt's plans will have but one immediate result—the quick and certain sinking of American ships."

This threat is made in the Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung in an article dealing with the American proposals to speed up supplies to Britain. The newspaper adds, "Americans should cherish no illusions. Whether sailing alone or escorted by warships, all consignments traversing the Atlantic are good for sinking."

It is claimed that the weapons of the German blockade lurk on all the routes between Britain and America and it is time that Americans realised what confronts shipping when President Roosevelt's plans mature.

### PLYMOUTH RAID DEVASTATION

#### Women And Children To Be Evacuated

LONDON, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — A large part of Plymouth is to be declared an evaluation area following four raids in eight nights.

Ten thousand schoolchildren are to be moved immediately to rural areas in Devon and Cornwall. Mothers with children, expectant mothers and old age pensioners who wish to make their own arrangements will be assisted to evacuate.

A decision to this effect was reached yesterday at a conference between the city's Emergency Committee and a representative of the Ministry of Health.

Latest reports indicate that Monday night's raid caused widespread damage, particularly in areas already heavily hit, and many people were killed. Nevertheless, the casualties were not as heavy as in any of last week's raids.

**RAIDERS DOWNED**  
It is now confirmed that four German aircraft were destroyed during the raid on Plymouth on Monday night, three by anti-aircraft guns, says the Air Ministry.

Although there has been a certain amount of activity by enemy aircraft during yesterday near the southeast coast there are no reports of bombs being dropped.

### LOCKHEED TO BUILD AIR LEVIATHAN

WASHINGTON, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — Official permission to build a new four-engined land plane, designed to fly to Europe in 10 hours carrying between 50 and 80 passengers, has been given to the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation.

The machine will be the world's largest and most powerful land

### GENERAL

### SUCCESSFUL ATTACKS ON AXIS SHIPPING BY FLEET AND R.A.F.

LONDON, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — Thirty successful attacks on Axis shipping by units of the Fleet and R.A.F. are reported by official sources during the week ending April 27.

The biggest single episode was the naval bombardment of Tripoli at dawn on April 21 when three transports were set on fire, one of which was seen to sink, an ammunition ship exploded, a supply ship sank, another was seriously on fire and a destroyer was heavily hit.

Other naval successes include the torpedoing of a 10,000 ton tanker, a 6,000 ton supply ship, a 7,000 ton supply ship and a 7,000 ton ammunition ship in the Mediterranean, all announced on April 22.

A fully laden tanker bound for Tripoli was sunk by the submarine Tetrarch, and a heavily laden blockade-running oil tanker of more than 10,000 tons was sunk by the submarine Urge.

At least six ships were hit off Norway, including a 3,000 ton supply ship left sinking, and a 1,500 ton tanker almost certainly destroyed.

In a very low level attack on a heavily escorted convoy of three ships some miles west of Heligoland on April 25, a very large vessel was set on fire and almost certainly destroyed and another was hit on the stern and severely damaged.

Off the Dutch coast, at least nine vessels were bombed, including three direct hits on an 8,000 ton supply ship in a convoy, a 4,000 ton vessel in a convoy of the Frisian Islands was damaged.

The week's most sensational attack was delivered at dawn of April 25 from a height of 25 feet on a 1,600 ton supply ship one mile up the Nieuwe Waterway between Hook of Holland and Rotterdam.

Smaller ships were attacked with bombs and machine-guns in the same operation.

### ABYSSINIAN SITUATION

#### ITALIANS BOLTING IN ALL DIRECTIONS

CAIRO, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — The Italians have bolted in all directions following the capture of Dessie. Their difficulties are further increased by opposition from the patriot forces now arising in all kinds of unexpected places.

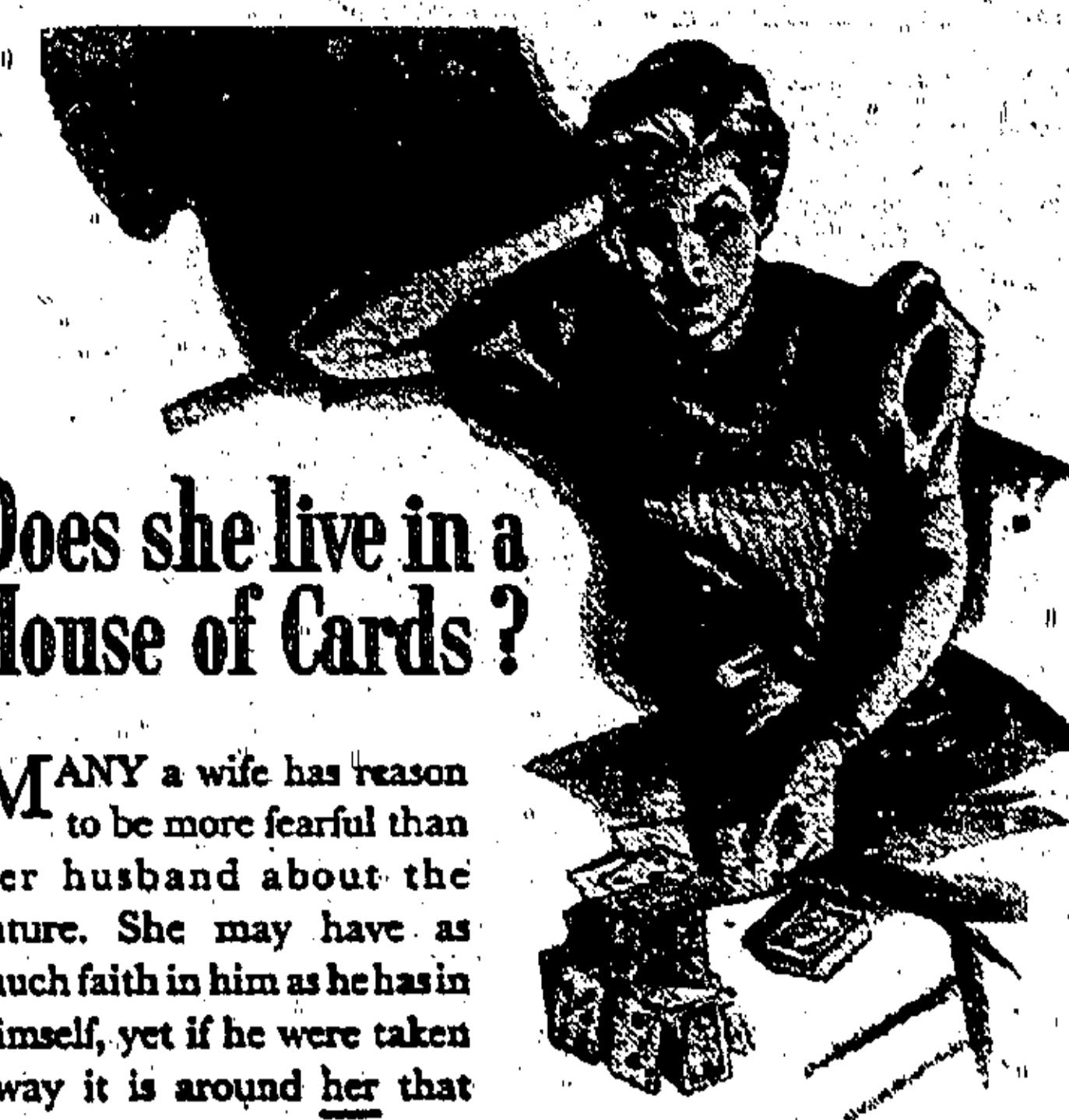
An Italian retreat towards French Somaliland would involve crossing a depression below sea level in burning heat by one route and almost equal difficulties by any other available route.

Both the R.A.F. and the South African Air Force continue to give support to successful ground operations. South African fighters machine-gunned and damaged enemy aircraft on Gimma aerodrome and motor transport concentrations between Batie and Tandeho.

The R.A.F. bombed and machine-gunned enemy positions and trenches in the Chilga area.

One fighter is missing from Monday's operations.

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 1941.



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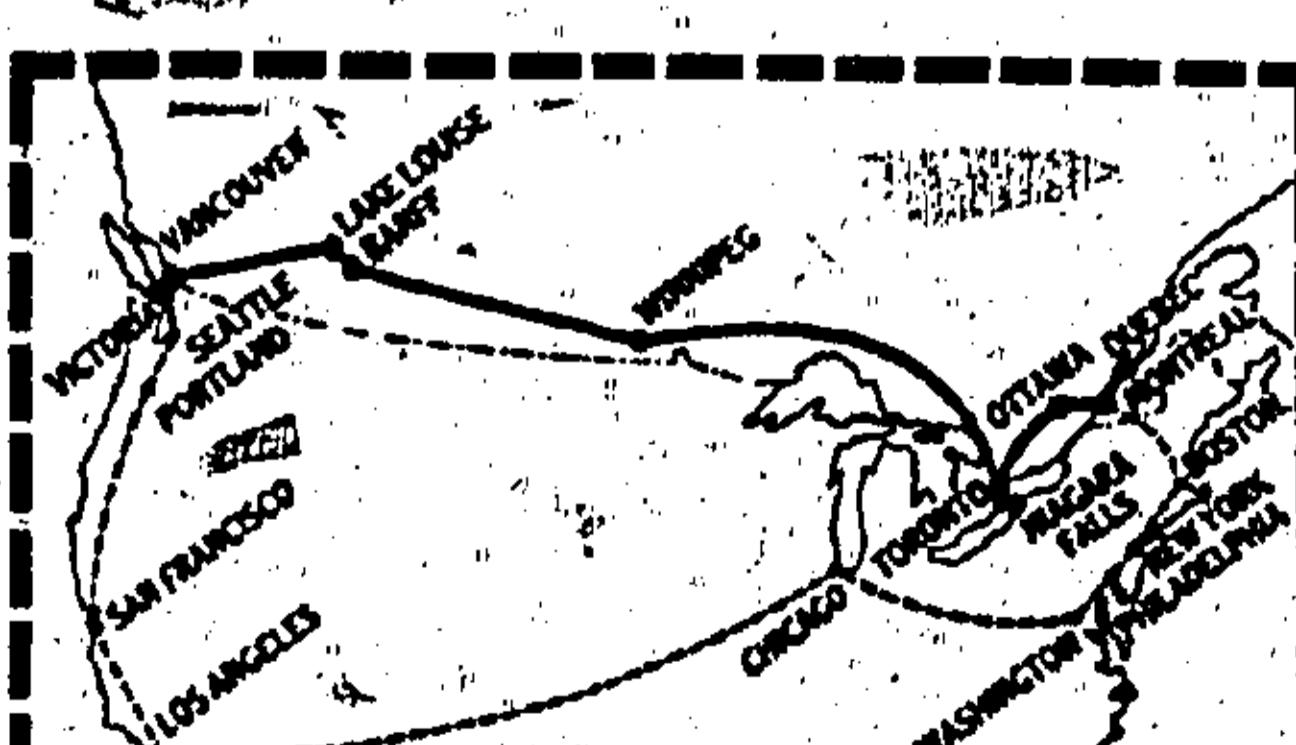
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### MASS AIR RAID ON KUNMING

KUNMING, Apr. 30 (Central) — More than 100 bombs were dropped within the city limits of Kunming when a squadron of about 20 Japanese planes staged a raid yesterday afternoon. Hundreds of houses were destroyed, and many casualties were inflicted among the civilians.

Leading Aircraftman Greening said the recent issue of long, heavy blue overcoats was welcome.

"Our uniforms are a knock-out over here," he adds. "We are the only air force wearing dark blue and people ask us in the streets where we're from."

But—H.B.'s all right!"



## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that the agreement between Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd., and Mr. W. G. Schnabel has been terminated by mutual arrangement as from the 30th April, 1941.

T. ADDIS MARTIN,  
Manager.

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THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 21st May, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 7th May to the 21st May, 1941, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers.

The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.,  
Hong Kong, 30th April, 1941.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LTD.

The Fifty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Wednesday, the 7th May, 1941 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 2nd May to Wednesday, the 7th May, 1941 both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

General Managers.

Hong Kong, 24th April, 1941.

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## TWO REGISTRY WEDDINGS

The following marriages took place at the Registry Supreme Court yesterday:

Mr. Ho Shiu-pui, broker, of No. 9 Tsing Fung Street, and Miss Wong Shiu-ying, of No. 14 Koon Ma Terrace;

Mr. Lo Chung-man, merchant, of No. 40 Battery Street, and Miss Liang Sou-tseng, of No. 7 Tak Shing Street;

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced:

Mr. Henri van Leeuwen, staff of the J.C.J.L., of No. 8 The Peak, and Miss Edith Mary Hopkins, of "Courtland," Kennedy Road;

Pte. George Coleman, of the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regt., Nanking Barracks, Shamshui-poo, and Miss Chan Po-yok, of No. 242 Apilu Street;

Mr. Manuel Eduardo Variz, teacher, La Salle College, and Miss Josephine Yu, of No. 222 Nathan Road, second floor.

## NIGHTSOIL CONTROL

The changeover to Government control of the removal of nightsoil took place last night complete with new buckets and new bamboo poles.

The coolies attracted crowds of Chinese on their rounds.

## The Daily Press

報西刺刊

Editorial and Business Office: 15-19, Queen's Road Central, Tel. 3325.  
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HONGKONG, MAY 1, 1941.

## WORTHY EFFORTS

THE GRAPHIC description of the appalling conditions under which the poorer classes of Hongkong's population exist, as given in the annual report of the Hongkong Eugenics League, focusses attention once more on the grave problem of social reform in this Colony and the urgent need there is for official and unofficial action to alleviate this sordid state of affairs with the least possible delay. The fact that the declarations on this subject have been made by a Chinese member of the League, in her capacity as Honorary Treasurer of an organisation which is making worthy efforts to remedy "the abject poverty and the degradation of human lives," is particularly significant. Miss Constance Lam's picture of what she has seen in the course of her social work is by no means exaggerated— "crowds of filthy, ragged children, disease-ridden mendicants, half-starved coolie men and women in the streets, the appalling state of the slums, overflowing as they do with people living in squalor, dire want and gross misery, manifests eloquently the maladjustments of an over-prolific population existing in an economic scarcity."

THE WORK of the Eugenics League brings it into direct contact with practically every aspect of the Colony's social ills and it is, indeed, a matter for congratulation that its members have been able to achieve such a great deal in the five years of its activities in the Colony. The League has undoubtedly furnished a striking example to other social organisations which have been formed in Hongkong and whose activities have been marked by a sort of supine indifference and indolence that has only helped to defeat their aims, however laudable they may have appeared on paper. In such circumstances, progress in social reform is impossible. The Eugenics League, on the other hand, as shown in the Secretary's report, has reached out, and is continuing to reach out, to the very root of the social problems in the Colony. It is not without a certain feeling of pride that it has been able to reveal to the public what it has been able to achieve, particularly in the sphere of gynaecology, where the women of the poorer classes have been given useful instruction, advice and treatment on the subject of family planning, ignorance of which largely contributes to poverty, disease and misery.

THE FACT that many prominent Chinese are associated in the work of the League, either actively or by giving it their moral and material support, should prove a big factor in eliminating the prejudice created by custom and time-worn principles against birth control. The educational work conducted by the Eugenics League is still hampered by this prejudice, which has resulted in a lack of cooperation from educated Chinese classes, who could render the League, and incidentally the Colony, a great

## ABJECT POVERTY



"... the teeming millions. The abject poverty. . . . Above is a section of Chinese Street which is in the heart of the city.

## NEAR-SIGHTED POLICY OF RETAILERS RETARDS GOAL OF H.K. SELF-SUFFICIENCY

BY OUR STAFF REPORTER

THE NEAR-SIGHTED POLICY OF LOCAL RETAILERS AND THE LACK OF PUBLIC INTEREST in the matter that was appalling were advanced by a local agriculturist yesterday as the two main reasons why A GOAL OF SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN REGARD TO FOOD HAS YET TO BE REACHED IN HONGKONG.

"Hongkong possesses more acres of farmland than may be found in many other areas of about the same size," the agriculturist told our reporter, "AND VERY NEARLY EVERYTHING" MAY BE GROWN HERE. Poultry, live stock and even fish may be bred here to supply the local market."

PUBLIC STAKE

"But before we reach anything approaching self-sufficiency, the public must come to realise what their stake is in this matter. No limited company will ever venture into a scheme to feed all the people in this Colony, because profits must needs come slowly and can come only with a programme immediate in its execution and prosecuted vigorously from its very inception."

"On top of this, it may be said that profits in money are barely to be expected. What will be realised can amount, in the first instance, only to a better board for the man of more modest means and prices more within reach of the masses.

"Strive for profits, and the whole scheme retains the barest chance of survival. The reason for this should be obvious to all intelligent people. Only permit the cycle of producer to wholesaler, wholesaler to retailer, with a flock of jackals barking at their heels, and the prices are again outside the reach of the poor.

CO-OPERATIVE SYSTEM

"When all is said and done, what is called for, in the first place, is—an awakened public interest. WHAT THE COLONY NEEDS IS A CO-OPERATIVE SYSTEM WHEREBY PEOPLE WOULD INVEST MONEY AND EXPECT RETURNS ONLY IN PRODUCE. "Such scheme is not impossible of achievement. It calls only for a meeting of public-spirited individuals, and men and women, at that, who will refuse to be turned back by all the talk that will arise, immediately the scheme is mooted, counselling its immediate abandonment.

service if they impart their own knowledge and acceptance of the principles of family health for which the League is striving, to their more unfortunate compatriots who have had no opportunity of having the subject explained and interpreted to them in its proper significance. Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke, the Secretary of the League, made this appeal last year and amplified it now with a proposal to form a Committee of Chinese voluntary helpers to take over the publicity and educational work of the League. This is a step in the right direction and there is no doubt that Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke will be able to report better results on this aspect of the League's splendid work next year.

## D. O. SOUTH

## BROTHEL KEEPER FINED

For keeping a brothel, at No. 28, Tai San Street, first floor, Cheung Chau, on April 29, a 60-year-old widow, Ching Luk, was fined \$50 when she appeared before Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday.

## EXPORT OF PETROL

Three masters of trading junks were each fined \$15 when they pleaded guilty before Mr. Balfour yesterday to the charge of having

## EARL HAIG FUND

## COLONY THANKED

Mr. F. G. Mauder, Secretary of the Earl Haig's Fund, Hongkong branch, has received the following letter from Captain W. G. Wilcox, Organising Secretary of the British Legion.

February 20, 1941

Dear Mr. Mauder—I now beg to acknowledge with very sincere thanks receipt through the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, London, of a cheque to the value of £350 for which I attach herewith our official receipt K.108 and which, together with the sum of £1,200 received in November last, makes a total of £1,550 which I am presuming represents the truly magnificent and record result of your 1940

Remembrance Day Appeal and sale of Poppies in Hongkong and Districts for the benefit of Haig's Fund, and I give you my assurance that it is a most welcome and valuable addition to our funds.

We have been very anxious about the result of this year's Appeal in view of the now greater responsibilities of the British Legion and the adverse conditions under which the 1940 Appeal has had to be made.

I am happy to say, however, that there has been a widespread recognition of our difficulties and our greater needs, and the people of this Country, together with our many friends overseas, have given with conspicuous generosity for their emblems of remembrance.

Will you please find some means of expressing our deep thankfulness to our friends in Hongkong and Districts who have so very generously supported your Appeal and assure them that their practical sympathy will mean much during the coming year to the men and women who have served their Country and are in need of a helping hand.

May I also thank you, the Members of your Committee and all other helpers very warmly for your valuable work undertaken at a difficult time and in the face of so many handicaps. You have made a really valuable contribution to what I am sure will prove to have been a remarkable war-time effort.

With our very best wishes to you all, I am,

Yours sincerely,  
(Sd.) W. G. Wilcox  
Captain  
Organising Secretary

## Refugees In The Colony

An increase of 100 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps, etc., in urban and rural areas is recorded in the Government returns for the week ending on April 26.

## Urban Areas:

King's Park—1,299 against 1,299 on April 19.

Ma Tau Chung—1,695 against 1,718 on April 19.

North Point—1,526 against 1,519 on April 19.

Morrison Hill—516 against 517 on April 19.

Urban Areas (Squatters' Camps):

Tai Hang—2,557 against 2,557 on April 19.

Ngau Tau Kok—807 against 801 on April 19.

Rural Areas:

Kam Tin—2,318 against 2,234 on April 19.

Fanling Children's Camp—355 against 328 on April 19.

Total—11,073 against 10,973 on April 19.

## BOARDING HOUSE INCIDENT

Alleged to have leapt from the second floor of the Chuen On Boarding house, No. 133, Connaught Road Central, and landed on a ratten basket in the street, a Chinese woman was sent to Queen Mary Hospital, suffering from severe bodily injuries about 1.25 yesterday morning.

A resident of the boarding house, she was recorded in the registry as Lo Yau, 29, from Macao.

on board their respective junks of petrol, preparatory to exporting them without the written permission of the Controller of Trade.

Li Ho, master of junk No. T6072H

was alleged to have 1,000 tins and

oil Cheung and Lo Chong-ho, masters of junks T6172H and T4092H

respectively, were each alleged to

have had 1,800 tins on board.

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## AIRCRAFT NOT MASTER OF THE WARSHIP: AIR AND SEA STRATEGY

"As the world situation becomes more critical, we turn as always to sea-power to see how it is affected by air-power," said MAJOR OLIVER STEWART, M.C., A.F.C., the B.E.C. aviation expert, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the lessons learned in the war about air-power and sea-power in operations against the enemy.

Maj. Stewart declared that sea-strategy was based on air-strategy and cited as an example, the dozen or so attacks which had been made by the R.A.F. on the two German battleships—the Gneisenau and the Scharnhorst.

## PARTIAL SUCCESS

"We don't know for certain what damage was done to these German ships," said Major Stewart, "but there is evidence that one of them was hit by a large bomb. At any rate the fact that they have been forced to remain in harbour so long shows that they must have been damaged."

"Nevertheless the only complete success claimed is when a ship is sunk and so only partial success can be claimed at Brest. This shows that knocking a warship out with bombs is very difficult. That is true whether a ship is steaming on the ocean or tied up to a quay."

"Most of our complete successes have been secured with the use of torpedoes, which are also used by the air coastal command. It must also be remembered that the Axis warships, when they are tied up, are always surrounded by torpedo nets and many of the harbours where they are tied up are of the kind in which aerial torpedoes cannot be used. These torpedoes must have a certain amount of run before they settle down. So there are many places where they cannot be used and the only alternative is bombing."

## MANY DIFFICULTIES

"In bombing of warships there are many difficulties. First of all a ship presents a very small target and even if a ship is rectangular it would still present less surface and the target area would be still less. Accurate bombing would, therefore, be needed to hit a ship from a height."

"Aeroplanes would therefore have to come down low and dive-bomb. Dive-bombing is, of course, more accurate than high bombing but neither is as accurate as is suggested. Dive-bombing does get nearer than high level bombing but in both cases the aircraft crew is subjected to anti-aircraft fire."

"The pilot has to put his plane down low over the target in dive-bombing, whereas on a high level bomber, the crew have to make a careful bombing run, flying high and level and watching their instruments. That sort of calmness is more difficult to achieve."

"So, the probability of hitting targets of small size is more likely with the dive-bomber. But here again, a bomb dropped from a dive-bomber does not have time to achieve its top speed, because as bomb accelerates slowly, and therefore, fails to penetrate."

## HIGH-LEVEL ATTACKS

"I have no information on the thickness of the deck armour of the Gneisenau and the Scharnhorst, but there is no use hitting the deck armour with a bomb unless it can penetrate. You will remember this in the case of the aircraft carrier Illustrious. Her armour protected her from a very heavy dive-bombing attack."

"It is, therefore, necessary for a plane to come down low, dive-bomb and yet penetrate the armour. In the attacks on Brest, the high level attack has been used, so that if the ship is hit, there is a much better chance of penetrating her armour."

Major Stewart said that whenever the Germans had their ships up there was always a man of anti-aircraft guns. It was therefore, not an easy matter for a bomber crew to make their runs over the ships with great accuracy, as they would be extremely vulnerable to fire from the ground."

## NUISANCE VALUE

"There must be many in this Colony who have benefited either directly or indirectly from the kind assistance and sound advice so freely given by Miss Drayton. To her they owe a debt which cannot now be repaid, and one feels sure that they, and in many cases, their parents, will be anxious to mark their gratitude to Miss Drayton by subscribing to a worthy cause in her memory, and in this respect, the Committee of the local Victoria League consider that there can be no better cause than the Bomber Fund."

We are directed by the Committee to appeal to the public of all nationalities in general and to returned students from the United Kingdom in particular, as well as to their parents, to send subscriptions to the Bomber Fund to memory of one who devoted the whole of her life to helping others and promoting better understanding and closer relationship between the different peoples of the British Empire.

Yours faithfully,  
Sd. J. RALSTON,  
Sd. T. O. TSD,  
Joint Hon. Secretaries

## CHINA IS NOW PART OF INTERNATIONAL STRIFE

### Yenching Alumni Fete Dr. J. Leighton Stuart

"The problem of China is now a part of the international struggle. It is no more a war of one nation against another nation, but a battle between two parties of opposing conceptions of international relationship," said DR. J LEIGHTON STUART, President of Yenching University, Peking, addressing some 100 alumni of the University at a tea reception held in his honour at the Gloucester Hotel yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Stuart returned on Tuesday night from his eleven-day trip to Chungking, where he saw several Government leaders, and is now on his way back to Peking. He first arrived in the Colony in the middle of last month, his primary purpose being to attend the 17th annual conference of the Board of Trustees of the China Foundation for the Promotion of Education and Culture, which was held here on Apr. 18.

Another distinguished guest at the party, at which Prof. Hsu Tianshan presided, was MR. H. J. TIMPERLEY, well-known British Journalist, who was formerly head of the Department of Journalism in the University.

**GREAT INTEREST**  
Earlier, Dr. Stuart said: "Wherever I have been, the greatest interest I have is in meeting alumni, learning what they are doing and hearing them talk what others are doing."

I have just come from Chungking. A week ago tonight — last Wednesday night — at a meeting presided over by Dr. H. H. Kung, about 100 alumni attended, which is about the same number here today.

Every alumni I met seems to be actively and usefully employed. From what I heard from other people, our alumni have a certain spirit, attitude and enthusiasm, an abundant fellowship among them, which are distinct from others.

All that is happening in this world today shows that there is a new meaning in those three words, "Truth, freedom and service" (which is the University motto).

There are those who believe that they are worth fighting for and there are those who try to destroy

### DANGEROUS, SAY JAPANESE

TOKYO, April 30 (Reuter) — The extension of the American patrol system "to the Seven Seas" was "a very dangerous step and could be considered as having a tendency towards aggression," said the Deputy spokesman of the Japanese Information Board.

Asked if it would become necessary for Japan to patrol the Pacific, the spokesman said: "It may not be necessary for the time being, but it may be necessary in the future according to the developments of the situation."

**IN MORTAL COMBAT**  
NEW YORK, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — America is already "locked in mortal combat with the German system," writes the NEW YORK TIMES.

The paper adds: "Defense means many things. It means more immediate aid to the brave peoples who are now fighting in the front line. It means determination to see our vital supplies reach England under the protection of our own guns."

ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Fundamental principles must be maintained along with academic freedom and national loyalty. Thus far there has been not the slightest interference with our curriculum and activities inside the campus.

If there should be a war between America and Japan, we shall try to get our students away and then will announce our closing down. Two things that we must preserve are our principles and property.

Mr. Timperley, who also spoke, said that at the present time in both England and America, people were realising, as never before, the part China was playing in the world struggle for democracy and against aggression. They were also realising that in the future world, which everyone was hoping would come, China was going to be a sort of foundation stone of that world.

**STILL GOING ON**

That realisation had been in the knowledge that in China, in spite of war, destruction of universities and lack of transportation facilities, education was still going on, said he.

In this particular way, Yenching led them all, concluded the speaker, because she was still carrying on in the North under difficult conditions.

### R.A.F. OFFICER SHOT

A verdict that he died from a self-inflicted wound, while the balance of his mind was disturbed was recorded at the inquest here on Flying-Officer Basil Le Gay Jones, 41, of Newmarket-road, Cambridge, who was found shot at his home.

Evidence was given that on the night of the tragedy he returned home the worse for drink.

The coroner, Mr. W. R. Walls, remarked: "One can only imagine that while in a state of mind brought about by over-indulgence he performed this act."

Percy Gipson, of Newmarket-road, Cambridge, with whom Jones lived, said that he had known him for ten years. On the night in question Jones came in just before 11 o'clock very much the worse for drink, although he was not incapable.

Jones loaded his revolver in Gipson's presence, and shortly after saying "Good-night," Gipson heard a revolver shot.

"I went outside, and by the side door I found him lying on his back with a Service revolver by his left side," said Gipson. "I saw he was bleeding from a wound in the head, and, after attempting to bandage him, I called medical assistance."

Relying to the coroner, Gipson said that Jones was a widower. He did not appear to have any worries, financial or otherwise, but he was always very reticent and did not discuss his affairs.

Corpl. Edward Blaney, of the R.A.F. Police, said that earlier the same evening he saw Jones walking unsteadily in the middle of a road in the centre of the town, and had to push him out of the way of a car. Jones was later sent home by taxi.

### JAPANESE DETACHMENT DECIIMATED

More than 100 Japanese were killed on Apr. 21 in the vicinities of Wutien and Tungyentien south-east of Shuwei in northern Honan, when a Japanese detachment proceeding westward from Yuanwu in a fleet of trucks was ambushed and severely attacked by the Chinese.

Besides destroying a number of trucks, and damaging several others, the Chinese also captured a sizable war booty including two trench mortars, light and heavy machine-guns and dozens of rifles and other arms.

Bombs were also dropped at other points of south-west and Southern England, East Anglia and South Wales.

Some damage was done and at one place in South Wales, there was a number of casualties and some persons were killed.

**37 PLANES DESTROYED**

Seven enemy aircraft were shot down in Tuesday night's raid on Britain. For the whole of April 27 enemy machines were destroyed.

(The previous record was 47 in March.)

## CABLE

### Times Favours Formation Of Imperial War Cabinet

LONDON, April 30 (Reuter) — The formation of an Imperial War Cabinet and the appointment of a deputy for Mr. Winston Churchill in domestic matters, are favoured by THE TIMES in a leader.

After remarking that Mr. R. G. Menzies had "manifestly strengthened the Government during the last few weeks with his counsel and support" the Times says that "General Jan Smuts, if he could be spared, would be another tower of strength."

The formation of an Imperial War Cabinet is a step doubtless

which would symbolise unity and determination of the British Commonwealth of Nations and fortify our common effort and our will to victory, but even this step, however desirable, will not meet what is perhaps our most urgent need of the moment — the need for a Minister, possessing confidence of the Prime Minister and country, who can act as Mr. Churchill's deputy in matters of production and other issues of the Home front and take on his behalf, those urgent overriding decisions which are necessary to the efficient working of any Governmental machine."

The Times emphasised that there was unshaken confidence everywhere in the prospects of ultimate victory and Mr. Churchill's inspiring leadership but says that "there is widespread feeling that we have fallen short in tackling problems of a large-scale organisation."

### SLOWED UP

The progress of our war effort has been slowed up by the lack of prompt and clear decisions from central authority on governing matters and principle. The control, industry and mobilisation labour are incomplete and vital problems arising from them remain to be faced."

The Times recalls the present Cabinet "constituted in some haste at a moment of crisis nearly a year ago" and says:—

"Not all appointments were equally happy and some of them appeared to have been made on grounds which had little relation to the effective prosecution of the war."

"On the other hand, those Ministers who had no party record and were brought into Government from other spheres of activity, have for the most part, been outstanding successes."

"Nobody would be surprised if the Prime Minister were once again to seek fresh blood for the Cabinet outside the ranks of Parliament."

### ANNUAL REPORT

## War Has Curtailed Work As Mission To Seamen And As Sailors' Home

"At the end of 1939, we reported that more seamen than in any previous year had been accommodated in the Institute, that the fullest use had been made of its many amenities and that we could look to the future without misgiving," writes the Rev. Cyril Brown, M.A., Chaplain of the SAILORS' HOME AND MISSIONS TO SEAMEN, in his Report for 1940.

"The war, however, has seriously curtailed both our work as a Mission to Seamen and as a Sailors' Home, nor is there any present indication other than that the volume of British deep sea shipping trading to the Far East will be still further reduced."

"As these dark war-time days go by, we have all too frequent news of ships and men, we shall see no more. Yet the memory of those we have known and welcomed here, must surely remind us that our duty to their successors in happier times, IS TO MAINTAIN THE WORK FOR WHICH WE ARE RESPONSIBLE".

The Report then gives details of changes in the Staff and alterations made to the building.

Dealing with the question of Divine Services, the Rev. Cyril Brown

points out that as vessels of the merchant navy are not kept in port on Sundays large congregations at the Services could seldom be expected.

The Social side of the work

consisted of bathing picnics in

the motor launch Dayspring to

Junk Bay, dances in the winter

cinema shows and car drives

around the Island and New Territories.

Open house was kept on

Christmas eve when "about 100

seafarers enjoyed an excellent

dinner and entertainment" as well

as receiving a parcel of useful gifts

each.

During the year under review,

164 hospital visits were made.

Thanks are expressed to those

who sent parcels of books and

## WILL NEVER STOP IMPROVING MALAYA'S DEFENCES

SINGAPORE, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — "We shall never stop improving Malaya's defences and I am not going to sleep nor shall I let any body else sleep. Even as the defences stand today we should put up a jolly good show against anybody and I am perfectly confident that we should win," said AIR CHIEF MARSHAL SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE FAR EAST to Pressmen today.

Sir Robert said, "After a sober analysis of any possible opponent's difficulties, we are confident that they will be in for a squeaky time if they attacked Malaya."

Pointing to a map on the wall, the C.-in-C. explained why Malaya, Sumatra, D.E.I. Borneo and Australasia must be considered strategically as one unit. He expressed the opinion that the menace to Malaya has not worsened recently, but the position might change within a matter of 24 hours. He also expressed the opinion that the position of the Balkans and the Mediterranean will not have much effect on Malaya unless the Suez was captured.

### DUTCH AIR FORCE

He was satisfied that the D.E.I. would fight against the aggressor and put up a good fight and would not listen to any specious promises of the Axis Powers. Paying particular tribute to the D.E.I. air force, the C.-in-C. said that he would rate their fighter and bomber squadrons equally as good as the R.A.F.

Questioned as to whether he thought the enemy might bypass Malaya and attack Eastern Australia, Sir Robert said he had not thought this strategically practical as such a force would meet opposition over thousands of miles of sea lanes and when it reached its destination, and owing to the huge naval force of transports, etc. required, would be vulnerable.

The C.-in-C. disclosed that his recent meeting with the Dutch Premier, Dr. van Kleefens, in Manila, was a "pure coincidence."

## TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS WON BY LAMBERT SIMNEL

NEWMARKET, Apr. 30 (Reuter) — The Two Thousand Guineas, run today, resulted as follows:—

Lambert Simnel 1st, Morogoro 2nd, and Sun Castle 3rd. The second war-time turf classic of the season opened with a surprise when the Duke of Westminster's outsider, Lambert Simnel, ridden by Charles Elliott, resisted the terrific finishing burst in the last uphill furlong to beat the Maharani Sabeen of Kholapur's Morogoro by two lengths.

Lord Portal's Sun Castle, greatly fancied in many quarters to win the Derby, was third, a further one-and-a-half lengths behind.

### GRUELING COURSE

Lambert Simnel went ahead at the half-way stage of what is considered to be one of the most grueling mile courses and held the lead until the finish, covering the distance in 1 min. 42 3/5 sec.

It was Elliott's fourth Two Thousand Guineas' success and he repeated the victory of last year on the French colt, Diebel.

The betting was 10/1 Lambert Simnel, 100/30 Morogoro, 100/7 Sun Castle.

Owen Tudor, ridden by the champion, Gordon Richards, started favourite at 11/4, but finished fifth.

## Rembrandt For Gallery Goes Down With Ship

Highly recommended by Sir Lionel Lindsay as the "greatest of all crucifixions," a Rembrandt etching, Three Crosses, shipped to the National Gallery of Victoria, has been lost at sea as the result of enemy action.

The trustees at their monthly meeting received this information from the secretary of the Felton Bequest's committee.

The etching was insured for £380 sterling. This money will be recovered by the bequest. Books valued at about £120 were also lost.

Another Rembrandt etching, Christ Presented to the People, valued at about the same amount, has arrived safely in Melbourne.

The lost plate was the largest etching by Rembrandt and measured approximately 15 1/2 in. by 13 1/2 in. Proofs of the plate are extremely rare and since 1755 26 only have been catalogued as going on the market.

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## LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

## HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Apr. 29:— Cholera, two cases; Diphtheria, one case; Dysentery, five cases; Enteric Fever, three cases; Measles, one case; Tuberculosis, 34 cases.

## BONUS ON NEW SHARES

## MACAO ELECTRIC LIGHTING CO.

A dividend of \$1.50 and a bonus of 50 cents on the old shares, and a dividend of 75 cents with a bonus of 25 cents on the new shares, were recommended by the Board of Directors of the Macao Electric Lighting Co., Ltd., at the annual meeting held at the offices of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews yesterday.

Mr. F. J. Gellion was in the Chair. Among those present were Messrs. N. G. Beale, H. N. da Silva, G. G. N. Tinson and J. Fleming.

## CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

In presenting the annual report and statement of accounts, the Chairman said, in part:—

The net profit for the year, after providing for depreciation, which amounted to \$113,124.53, was \$321,034.40, which together with the sum of \$120,243.53 brought forward from the year 1939, makes the amount available for appropriation \$441,277.92. From this, it is proposed to pay a dividend of \$1.50 per share and a bonus of \$0.50 on the 90,000 old shares which will absorb \$180,000 and to pay a dividend of \$0.75 and bonus of \$0.25 on the 43,938 "new" shares, which will absorb a total of \$43,938. To pay to the Government of Macao 5 per cent. on amounts distributed as Dividend and Bonus, in terms of Clause 15 of Extension Contract—\$11,198.90; to transfer to General Reserve Account \$100,000, and to carry forward to 1941's account \$106,43.02.

The total kwh. sold for the year 1940 was about 10 per cent. more than the previous year, thereby establishing a new record and the number of consumers increased by about the same proportion. Unfortunately, our operating costs were considerably increased due to the increase in the price of fuel oil, this item alone amounted to over one lakh. The other operating and administrative expenses

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

## AT CENTRAL

## JUNKMASTER FINED

A fine of \$600 was imposed by Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday on Chan Hei-fu, 41, master of junk No. T3218H, for possession of 48 letters on board his junk in Shaukiwan Harbour on Apr. 28 for the purpose of conveying out of the Colony other than by post, which offence is a breach of the Defence Regulations.

Mr. D. C. W. Fitches, Superintendent of Mails, who prosecuted, said that the letters were found on board the junk during a routine search by a party of Police headed by Sgt. W. L. Kinloch.

## MURDER CHARGE

Committal proceedings against So Shing, 23, odd job scraper, on a charge of murder of Police Constable D187, Wang Teh-shing, will be heard before Mr. G. T. Lowry at 2.30 p.m. on May 7.

Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant is in charge of the case.

## DEMANDING WITH MENACES

Sze To-chau, unemployed, was sentenced by Major Macfadyen yesterday to 12 weeks' hard labour on two counts of demanding with menaces.

Defendant admitted three previous convictions.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers prosecuted.

## SEAMAN SENT TO PRISON

A seaman of the Hongkong and Yaumati Ferry Company's steam launch "Man On," Tam Ka, 20, was sentenced to two weeks' hard labour by Mr. Sheldon, K. C., yesterday, when he pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing some brass parts of a stall from the

Cheung Chau Ferry Wharf, Connaught Road West, on Apr. 29.

Prosecuting, Sgt. W. McLeod said that at 7.15 a.m. on the day in question, defendant was seen carrying a paper parcel in Canton Road by a district watchman. The parcel was opened and found to contain the stolen articles.

Defendant stated that he was employed by the company at \$5 a month.

## COMMITTED TO SESSIONS

Hui Man, 35, was sent for trial by Mr. Lowry on charges of unlawful possession of a mixture of two ounces of diacetylmorphine, commonly known as diamorphine or heroin dangerous drugs, and of 11,500 heroin pills at No. 12, Yik Sau Street, ground floor, on Mar. 27, when committal proceedings of the case was concluded yesterday.

Defendant was represented by Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau, while the prosecution was conducted by Revenue Officer W. V. Ahern.

## AT KOWLOON

## UNREGISTERED WARDS

## DR. SALAZAR AND THE PORTUGUESE BUDGETS

It was on April 27, 1928, that DR. ANTONIO DE OLIVEIRA SALAZAR was appointed PRIME MINISTER OF PORTUGAL. He accepted this high post in order to help Portugal to "put the house in order," for, it was well-known that the Budgets had been showing adverse balances, without any apparent possibility of remedying this sad state of affairs.

Dr. Salazar required that sufficient time be given him, so as to produce good results, because he could not be hurried in such an important and stupendous work, as the re-organisation of the Portuguese finances, in order that they may produce satisfactory results, that is to say, to change the debit balances into positive credit balances in the final closing of the accounts from year to year.

**CURTAILING EXPENDITURE** In order to obtain this wonderful result, very serious considerations had to be made to curtail, as much as possible, all the expenses, which could be so dealt with. The absolute co-operation of the Portuguese people, lent a valuable helping hand to achieve these marvellous results.

Both the Prime Minister and the Portuguese Nation have ample reason to feel proud of their joint work; but if such results had been attained, it was mainly due to the untiring energy, unselfish work and great patriotism of the Prime Minister "par excellence."

William Pitt, Lord Beaconsfield, Lord Palmerston, Lord Asquith, Lloyd George, many French Ministers and those of other countries, had their arduous duties before them; but none of them acquitted himself better than did Dr. Salazar in this work of reorganising successfully the country's finances.

His sound principles or doctrines bore results that nobody had thought to be possible, in the resurgence of Portugal's finances. Above all, he was a practical man and not given to "dreams," however beautiful they might have been. Infallible principles were adopted by him with the wonderful results, achieved in the country's finances.

## HIGH COST OF LIVING

After the adverse balances had been seen to with such a phenomenal success, Dr. Salazar took

said that on the previous evening he gave a party for his brother's wedding and Tsang was one of the guests. They played mah jongg and slept in the day time.

Milroy testified that Tsang said that he had some debts to collect and asked Milroy to act as a solicitor to impress the villagers. He promised Milroy \$40 to \$60 for his trouble.

After evidence, Mr. Anderson adjourned the hearing until Saturday morning, to consider the case.

## CHURCH THEFT SEQUEL

Q. M. S. Heath, of the Royal Engineers, appeared as complainant before Mr. Anderson yesterday when Cheung Lo-pun, 19, was charged with larceny of a raincoat and, alternatively with receiving.

Giving evidence, Mr. Heath said that he attended the morning service at the St. Andrew's Church on Sunday. He left his seat and came back to find his raincoat missing.

Mr. A. C. Jeffreys, in evidence, said that he saw two Chinese sitting next to him and one of them was accused. Before the service had finished they went away. Mr. Jeffreys met them on the ferry and took defendant to the Police Station.

Defendant, pleading not guilty to both charges, said that his friend stole the raincoat and pawned it. He had no part in it and he only took the Police to recover the raincoat.

Accused was discharged.

## INTOXICATING LIQUOR

Yip Wok-ching, of the Sun Sun Hotel, Nathan Road, was summoned before Mr. Macnamara yesterday for selling to five Europeans intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises other than the dining room not in conjunction with a bona fide meal.

Defendant, who pleaded guilty to the summons, was cautioned.

Inspector A. V. Baker was in charge of the summons.

## SOLDIER CHARGED

Hearing of the case in which Thomas John Milroy, 21, of the Middlesex Regiment, Tsang Wing-fuk, 45, and Lo Lai-tong, 21, were charged with demanding money with menaces from villagers at Kowloon City, was continued before Mr. Anderson yesterday.

In evidence, Tsang denied he had knowledge of the allegations.

He stated that he was only taking Milroy to Kowloon City to look for some girls.

## OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Mr. G. G. N. Tinson seconded the Chairman's proposal that the Report and Statement of Accounts be adopted.

Mr. N. G. Beale proposed the re-election of Mr. H. N. da Silva, which was seconded by Mr. J. Fleming.

Mr. H. N. da Silva proposed that

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews be re-elected as Auditors for the ensuing year, which was seconded by Mr. G. G. N. Tinson.

Tam Kam-ning, of No. 30, Wing Wo Street, said that on Apr. 27, Tsang did not leave him before one o'clock in the afternoon. He

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Other branches of the public administration also received the beneficial result of Dr. Salazar's most successful administration. (Contributed).

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# GOLD WASHING IN SZECHWAN, HUNAN

With China's pressing demand for gold to finance her resistance and reconstruction gold washing is receiving more and more governmental attention. Positive steps are being taken in Szechwan and Hunan to increase production.

In Szechwan, sand gold is scattered in wide-spread areas in the northwest part of the province, particularly abundant in the mining districts of Sungpan and in the valleys of the Big and Small Gold Streams. Sungpingkou, Hsimengkou and Hsuehpaotong.

In Sungpan, the gold districts are located about 13 miles northeast of the city. Gold washing there was carried out mainly by primitive methods with primitive instruments and consequently, the result was unsatisfactory. Since the first days of discovery in 1912 up to 1939, the total output of gold in Sungpan, it is estimated, amounted to more than 470,000 grams. In recent years, the yield averaged about 500 to 600 grams daily.

As a result of investigations carried out by experts dispatched by the Government last year, it has been decided that gold washing in Sungpan and the neighbouring areas be done as a joint government and private enterprise. Active steps are being taken to realise the plan. With the engagement of experts and the introduction of modern scientific methods the amount of production is expected to be greatly increased in the future.

#### NOT FRUITFUL

In Hunan, gold washing centres chiefly in the valley of the Tsin-kiang, one of the four principal rivers in the province. It was first attempted by farmers inhabiting the valley in the last days of the

Manchu regime, but was not fruitful.

Since the start of the current Sino-Japanese hostilities, boatmen plying on the river and refugees from various places have been making a renewed attempt at gold washing and their efforts begin to bear fruit. Limited by resources, they can only operate on a very small scale. Usually, a group of 10 to 20 persons pool their resources and form a unit to engage in gold washing, using primitive methods and instruments.

As a result of patient labour, each unit can obtain from 3 fen to 8 fen of sand gold a day and at times as much as one chien. Averagely, the net profit for every gold washer is about \$2 a day. Sometimes, lucky persons chance to obtain a mass of gold grains weighing over 10 grams.

Because of the lure of gold, large numbers of people are swarming the Tzu river valley. It is estimated that there are now at least 20,000 persons engaged in gold washing and a large company has been organised. Meanwhile, the Government is taking energetic steps to prospect and develop new fields and to improve existing washing methods. (Central News).

## FUKIEN'S FIVE-YEAR RECLAMATION PLAN

A five-year reclamation plan entailing an expenditure of \$2,000,000, has been drafted by the Fukien Provincial Government as part of the five-year economic reconstruction programme now being carried out in the province.

According to this plan, it is expected that from this year up to the end of 1945, 180,000 mow of waste land, representing more than one half of the total area of uncultivated land in the province, will have been tilled and about 8,000 families will have settled down there.

Families to be migrated to the uncultivated regions will be of two kinds, those who pay their own expenses and those, mostly war refugees, who are supported by Government expenses. It was tentatively fixed that only between 400 and 800 self-supporting families are to settle down each year. The provincial authorities will provide removal expenses, seeds, fertilisers and farming implements.

The regions marked out for reclamation are Tsungan, Chienyang, Shao-wu, Taining, Chiening, Tsing-ku and Ningyang in northwest Fukien. A supervisor will be stationed in each center to give technical guidance and to do administrative work.

#### TEACHERS SENT

Houses, roads and irrigation systems are being built in the reclamation areas. Teachers have been sent there to educate the settlers.

When the 180,000 mow of land has been cultivated, it is expected that the yearly output will include 350,000 piculs of rice, 400,000 piculs of sweet potatoes, 4,500 piculs of cotton, 35,000 piculs of wheat, and 110,000 piculs of beans.

In addition, more than 8,000 pigs and sheep, 80,000 ducks and chickens will be reared and 4,000,000 tung trees and 800,000 fruit-bearing trees will be grown. Also there will be 800,000 mow of forests.

To meet the demands of the settlers the provincial government will establish a factory for the manufacture of farming implements, for which \$20,000 has been allocated. (Central News).

## STRIKING SOVIET DECISION

MOSCOW, Apr. 30 (Reuters) — No war materials in future will be allowed to pass in transit through the Soviet Union under a decree signed by the Commissar of Foreign Trade yesterday.

Munitions, aircraft parts and accessories and machine-tools for making munitions and explosives come under the decree.

The transit of other goods is to be allowed but only with special authorisation or trade agreement.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Apr. 30 (Reuters) — The German freighter, *Natal*, from Hamburg, has eluded the British blockade and has arrived at Santos with 280 tons of cargo.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 30 (Reuters)

Colonel Lindbergh's resignation from the United States Air Corps Reserve has been accepted by the War Department. Colonel Lindbergh tendered his resignation following President Roosevelt's criticism of his Isolationist views.

The President described Lindbergh as a "copperhead" which is the most deadly snake in the United States.

## Finance and Commerce

### NEW KWANGTUNG FINANCE COMMISSIONER

CHUNGKING, Apr. 30 (Central) — The resignation of Mr. Tsou Lin, Kwangtung Commissioner of Finance, was accepted by the Executive Yuan yesterday. Mr. Chang Tao-min was appointed to succeed him.

Mr. Ma Huan-wen was appointed member of the Hsien Provincial Government and Mr. Hung Sheng Secretary-General of the Jehol Provincial Government.

A National Government mandate issued yesterday relieved Mr. Lin Yi-sheng, member of the Hupeh Provincial Government, of his current post of Hupeh Commissioner of Reconstruction, and appointed Mr. Chu I-cheng to serve in that capacity.

### HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

April 30.

**BUYERS**  
Bank of East Asia, \$70.  
Indo-Chinas (Pref.), \$80.  
Hotels, \$2.80.  
Lands, \$30.50.  
Ropes, \$6.  
Entertainments, \$6.25.

**SELLERS**  
Lands, \$33.  
Trams, \$16.  
Electrics "Rts." \$14.

**SALES**  
Providents, \$4.60.

### THIRD CANADIAN WAR BUDGET

#### Country To Finance British Purchases

OTTAWA, Apr. 30 (Reuters) — Canada has pledged itself to finance the bulk of British purchases in Canada, estimated at \$1,500,000,000, declared the Finance Minister, Mr. J. L. Diefenbaker, in presenting the country's third War Budget yesterday.

Speaking of Britain's difficulty in obtaining Canadian dollars, the Minister said that Britain's deficit in this connexion was \$795,000,000.

Declaring that it was unthinkable that Britain should be unable to purchase vitally-needed supplies in Canada because of lack of Canadian dollars, the Minister said that Canada would meet such proportion of that total deficit as Britain herself would be unable to meet by transfer of gold or United States dollars to Canada.

#### ARRANGEMENT WITH U.S.

Mr. Diefenbaker praised the new arrangement with the United States as a "magnificent contribution to our common struggle, not to ease the convenience of the Canadian people."

At the end of the fiscal year, Canada's balance of payments with the United States showed deficit of probably \$478,000,000.

Canada's total war bill for the current fiscal year is estimated at \$1,450,000,000.

### BRITAIN FINDS NEW LEATHER

The world has now a new shoe leather discovered by technicians and chemists in the English Midlands.

The leather, suede hog calf, gives the particular "feel" and appearance of peccary hog which, for a number of years, has been popular for gloves. Its silken touch made it unsuitable for shoes and after many experiments the new leather which is stronger and harder wearing has been produced.

Shoes made from it are now being shown in the latest shades—Congo brown, powder blue, Varsity green, desert tan, Californian beige and new vintage. The favourite style is a whole-cut semi-sports shoe with pastel shade piping and fittings and a sole of crepe.

#### Engineering Science For War Purposes

LONDON, Apr. 30 (Reuters) — A "brain trust" has been formed at the Government's instigation to aid engineering developments for war purposes.

This organisation will consider new methods, new devices and means of using them quickly.

Other tasks will include improved methods of utilising engineering science for war purposes and the best use of professional engineers.

Lord Hankey, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in the present Government and Secretary to Lloyd George's War Cabinet in the last war, will be the chairman.

He will have the assistance of the "cream of British engineering."

### HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, April 30, 1941.

**SALES**  
H.K. Tramways, ..... 200 \$15.80  
The total value is \$3,160.00.

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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## BANKS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

APRIL 30, 1941.

On London:—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 7/8  
Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 7/8  
Credits 4 months' sightOn Shanghai:—  
On demand 4/60On Singapore:—  
On demand 62 3/4On Japan:—  
On demand 102 1/3On India:—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 5/8  
and demand 5/8On New York:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 23 7/8  
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 5/8On Batavia:—  
On demand 44 3/4On Paris:—  
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.  
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.On Saigon:—  
On demand 103 1/3On Manila:—  
On demand 47 3/4On Bangkok:—  
On demand 149 1/3On Sterling Notes:—  
Bank Buying Rate ... Now,  
Bar Silver per oz. ... 23 1/2Market Report  
FROM ROZA BROS.

Wednesday, April 30.

Silver prices were unchanged  
yesterday, the quotations remaining  
at 23 1/2 for both Ready and  
Forward. Silver advices reported  
the market as being steady.  
American Silver was quoted at  
34 3/4 for Spot.The London/New York cross-  
rate was quoted at 402.1/2. New  
York/London was quoted at 403.  
1/4.MARKET  
Quiet.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to  
June, buyers at 1/3.1/32 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

No business was reported. There  
were sellers at 241/16 for near  
up to June, buyers at 245/16 for  
Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 469.1/2  
with business done subsequently  
at 470. Later transactions were  
also arranged at 469.3/4 for near.  
The market closed with sellers at  
469.1/2, buyers at 469.3/4 for  
Cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened with sellers of Sterling  
at 3.3/16 and then receded to  
3.11/16. At the close there were  
sellers again at 3.3/16 for Spot.  
U.S. Dollars opened with sellers  
at 5.5/32 and then dropped to 5.  
1/8 for Spot. There were sellers  
again at the close at 5.5/32  
for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Apr. 30 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening

London 0/3-1/8

New York 5-1/8

Japan 21-3/4

India 17-1/4

Paris nominal

Hongkong 20-3/4

Sterling

Gallers

Opening Closing

Spot 0/3-3/16 0/3-3/16

Apr. 0/3-3/16

May 0/3-3/16 0/3-3/16

U.S. Dollars

Spot \$5-5/32 \$5-5/32

Apr. 5-5/32

May 5-5/32 5-5/32

Market: Quiet.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's

rate on London at 10 a.m. today

was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 24-1/2

per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Apr. 29 (Reuter).

Govt. 34% Rupee, 94-0-0.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Apr. 29 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2

LONDON GOLD

London, Apr. 29 (Reuter).

Bar Gold, Fine per oz, 168/-

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, April 29, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	11.30	11.13	11.14	11.27	.13 up
New York Rubber, May	23.70	23.05	23.05	23.50	.45 up
Chicago Wheat, May	92	91	91	91	0 off
Chicago Corn, May	684	681	681	681	0 up
New York Hides, June	13.99	13.82	13.93	13.82	.11 off

## NEW YORK COTTON

	Close	Closing	Change
May	11.14/14	11.21/27	.13 up
July	11.19/19	11.33/34	.14 up
October	11.21/21	11.34/36	.13 up
December	11.21/21	11.36/36	.15 up
January	11.17/19	11.31 N	.14 up
March	11.20/20	11.36/36	.16 up
Spot	11.34	11.47	.13 up

Total sales Monday: 79,300 bales.

The last trading day for May cotton is May 18.

## NEW YORK RUBBER

	May	23.05/05	23.50/51	.45 up
July (New contract)	22.50/54	22.99/23	.49 up	
September ( )	22.00/00	22.50/50	.50 up	
December ( )	21.70 N	22.15/15	.45 up	

Total sales for the day: 850 tons.

The First Notice Day for May rubber is April 29 and last trading day is May 27.

## CHICAGO WHEAT

	May	91 1/8	91 1/8	1 off
July	89 1/8	89 1/8	89 1/8	.1 up
September	89 1/8	89 1/8	89 1/8	.1 up

Monday's sales: 15,479,000 bushels.

## CHICAGO CORN

	May	681/883	681/883	.1 up
July	681/883	681/883	681/883	.1 up
September	681/883	69/69	69/69	.1 up

Total sales for the day: 66 lots.

## NEW YORK COCOA

	May	7.09 N	7.20 N	.11 up
The last trading day for May cocoa is May 22.				

## NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

	May	2,42b/44a	2,42b/44a	unch.
July	2,42b/44a	2,42b/44a	2,42b/44a	.01 off

Volume of business done: 104 lots.

The last trading day for No. 3 Sugar is May 23.

## NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

	May	76b 1/2	76b 1/2	.001 up
July	79b 1/2	79b 1/2	79b 1/2	unch.

Volume of business done: 149 lots.

The last trading day for No. 4 Sugar is May 1.

## NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

	July	11.40b/53a	11.47b/50a	.07 up
NEW YORK COTTONSEED OIL				

## July

	July	9.13b/18a	9.15b/18a	.02 up
NEW YORK LARD				

## September

	September	9.02/00	8.97/97	.03 off
NEW YORK BLACK PEPPER				</

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COLOMBO & MADRAS via Singapore

MURORAN MARU ..... Sunday, 4th May

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila.

ONOF MARU ..... Friday, 30th May

SAIGON:

TURUGA MARU ..... Thursday, 8th May

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

GENOA MARU ..... Friday, 2nd May

OKITU MARU ..... Sunday, 11th May

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore

TOBA MARU ..... Thursday, 1st May

TURUGA MARU ..... Thursday, 8th May

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**A.R.P. ORDERS**

APRIL 30, 1941

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

**STRENGTH-DECREASE**

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign:

Yau-nati—2268 Miss Lok Kam-shan, 2219 Siu Siu-yuen, Central—492 Miss Cheng May-ching, Western—1638 Au Kwal-lam.

The following Warden has been struck off the strength:

Kowloon City—2069 Luk Ching-kit. The following Wardens have been dismissed for inefficiency:

Yau-nati—2267 Sung Wal-han, 2269 Fung Yat.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Central—2852 Lau Yiu-tung (E) to 6 Des Voeux Rd. C, 4th floor, Room 52, 547 So Yick, 548 So Woon, 549 So Hon, 604 So Lee (or Upper Jervis) St, 1 Coronation Terrace, 2nd floor, Upper Levels—3601 Miss Yan Po-yuk, 7 First St., 3rd floor, Mongkok, 3613 Wong Hoo (W) to 31 Pine St., ground floor.

**APPOINTMENTS**

The following appointments are notified with effect from April 30, 1941. Group Warden 421 Kwoi Wing-ki, L.A.R.P.S., to be Deputy District Warden, District "E", Central Gas Identification Service. Professor G. T. Byrne, M.Sc., F.I.C., to be Gas Adviser with rank of Head Warden. Mr. S. S. Harris, to be Senior Gas Adviser with rank of Divisional Warden.

The following are the Gas Identification Officers with rank of District Wardens—Miss E. Kelly, B.Sc., Miss Hui Wai-han, Chan Chau-lam, Cheng Yum-ting, V. A. Hak, J. Kuril, and F. Tichopad.

**RELINQUISHMENT OF APPOINTMENT**

Miss E. Kelly, B.Sc., relinquishes her appointment as District Warden "D", Aberdeen, on becoming a Gas Identification Officer.

**PROMOTIONS**

The following promotions are notified with effect from April 30, 1941. Central, To be Acting Dep. G. Warden—147 Dep. S/W Wong Wal-hing. To be Senior Wardens—1418 Dep. S/W Cheng Kam-woon, 134 Dep. S/W Shum Ching-wah. To be Deputy Senior Wardens—142 Yuen Lin-chun, 3574 Ng Shiu-wing, 2642 Wong Kam-hon, 3333 Chan Hon-cheung, 3038 Tsang Man-hung, 108 Chow Chi-cheung, 149 Chan Wal-sing, 167 Tong Shiu-jun, 227 Tsang Hung-fai, 166 Lee Yue-hang, 3555 Cheng Chik-tin, 1637 Tsang Tok, Shamshui-poo. To be Group Warden—1883 S/W R. K. C. Lau, L.A.R.P.S. To be Acting Group Wardens—1892 S/W Miss Yau Kwan-jung, 2000 S/W Chow Yu-ang. To be Senior Warden—1979 Dep. S/W Mrs. C. Leonard. Yau-nati—2204 S/W C. V. F. da Roza, to be Group Warden.

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"I congratulate the Union from the bottom of my heart, and hope they will continue to flourish as they so well deserve."

Street Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m. commencing on May 2. Lecturer—Mr. Wan Lai-yu, L.A.R.P.S. C 332 King's College, Bonham Road, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m. commencing on May 7. Lecturer—Mr. Lok Kai-ming, L.A.R.P.S.

**EXERCISES**

The Director of Air Raid Precautions will inspect the Wardens' Post in Districts "A", "B" and "C" of Aberdeen Division at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, May 4.

**STRENGTH-INCREASE**

The following have qualified as Telephoneists and are posted to Divisions as hereunder:

Tsimshatsui—2907 (T) Mrs. R. Abraham, 1505 (T) Miss V. C. Williams, 3768 (T) Mrs. E. Kella, 3769 (T) Miss V. Mackenzie. Kowloon City—3770 (T) Miss M. C. dos Santos, Mongkok—3767 (T) J. Whitefield, Yau-nati—2211 (T) Chu Ting-fong, 2253 (T) Niels F. C. Lonborg, 3460 (T) H. N. Mehal.

**EXAMINATION RESULTS**

At an examination held recently, the following qualified as Wardens but are not available for A.R.P. Service:

2824 Fung Wan-chi, 3807 Jim Chun-wah, 3809 Mak Chor-kin, 3826 Miss Mok Tak-sing, 3810 Yip Cheung-ching, 3825 Ho Sal-kit, Mongkok—3731 Miss J. Chan, 3725 Miss Fung Wal-ye, 1886 Sze To-rue, Shamshui-poo—3121 Miss A. Cheung, 1947 Miss Kwan Yuk-ying, 3744 Lung Sheung-lim, 1917 Lau.

(Sgd.) B. H. PUCKLE, Deputy Director of A.R.P.

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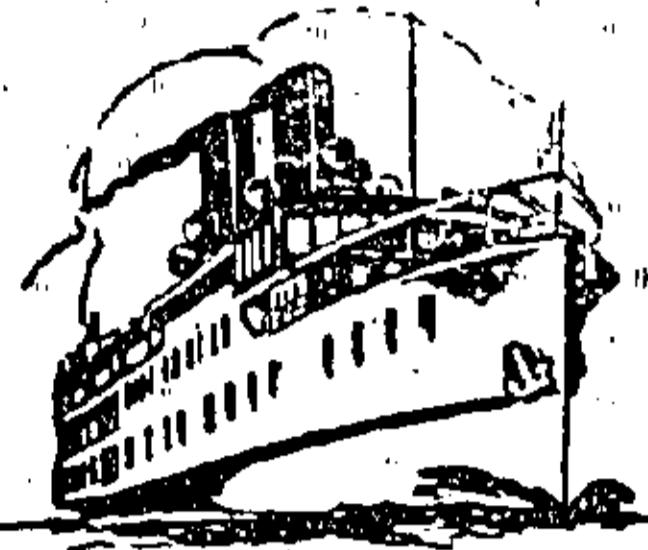
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Work On Company's  
Garden Estate  
Progressing

In spite of conditions affecting  
prices of materials rather adversely,  
building and development work  
on the Hongkong Engineering and  
Construction Co.'s 'Garden Estate'  
in Kowloon has proceeded steadily  
in the past twelve months. It was  
revealed yesterday at the annual  
meeting of the Company held at  
the offices of Messrs. Sir Elly Ka-  
doorie and Sons, St. George's  
Building.

The Chairman, Mr. J. P. Braga,  
in his speech, stated that applica-  
tion had been made to the Gov-  
ernment, in terms of the Condi-  
tions of Sale, for Crown leases in  
respect of 23 houses on the estate.  
Thirty-seven houses were now  
completed and rented under lease  
and two blocks of apartment  
buildings, to be known as "St.  
George's Mansions" on Argyle  
Street were soon to be ready for  
occupation.

Mr. J. P. Braga was in the Chair,  
supported by Messrs. J. Scott Har-  
ston, M. H. Lo and L. Kadoorie,  
Directors, Mr. H. Braga, General  
Works Manager, and Mr. B. Alves,  
Secretary. Shareholders present  
were the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo,  
Messrs. A. M. Braga and E.  
Sahmet.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman said:—

Gentlemen, the accounts as sub-  
mitted to you present no new fea-  
tures. There is a balance of \$4,  
650.81 in the Profit and Loss Ac-  
count, arrived at after charging  
\$122,927.38 for Depreciation and  
providing for Directors and Audit-  
ors' Fees, and Corporation Profits  
Tax for 1941/1942. The balance  
has been transferred to the  
Balance Sheet.

The credit aggregate will, there-  
fore, be the sum of \$8,798.28. The  
formal proposal that will be sub-  
mitted to you for dealing with this  
credit balance is that it be carried  
forward to a new account.

**HIGHER OVERDRAFT.**

In the completed programme for  
the period under review will be  
found the explanation for the ex-  
penditure on Land and Buildings  
during the year of over half-a-  
million dollars, viz., \$576,796.28 to  
be exact; but the whole value  
since the inception of the scheme  
in a total of \$1,633,500. According-  
ly, the Bank Overdraft appears  
rather higher than in the previous  
year, with a total of \$824,973.08.

**MODERN APARTMENTS**

The "St. George's Mansions,"  
which will be modern in every  
respect, are in line with the  
imposing new Administration Building  
built by this Company for the  
China Light and Power Co. They  
form a striking addition to the  
particular district of Kowloon,  
which may well be regarded as  
the elite residential area on the  
mainland.

Your Directors have thought it  
fitting that, because of his close  
interest in the affairs of the Com-  
pany, Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie  
should be invited to a seat on the  
Board in his own right. An invita-  
tion was extended to Mr. Kadoorie  
to join the Board in December last.  
I am glad to say the invitation was accepted.  
His appointment requires your confirmation today.

As usual, the Company received  
loyal and devoted service from the  
members of your Staff, to whom I  
must not fail to record the Board's  
cordial thanks.

The Chairman then proposed  
the adoption of the report and  
statement of accounts as present-  
ed, the motion being seconded by  
Mr. J. Scott Harston.

**DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED**

The appointment of Mr. Law-  
rence Kadoorie to the Board of  
Directors was confirmed, the Hon.  
Mr. M. K. Lo being the proposer,  
and Mr. A. M. Braga seconding the  
motion.

Mr. M. H. Lo and Mr. J. Scott  
Harston were re-appointed Directors,  
Mr. L. Kadoorie proposing this  
motion and Mr. H. Braga  
seconding.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Mat-  
thews were re-elected Auditors on  
a proposal submitted by Mr. J. P.  
Braga, seconded by Mr. M. H. Lo.

**SECRET DOCUMENTS  
REMOVED:  
CLERK CONVICTED**

In the first prosecution of its kind in Australia, George Samuel McHutchison, 42, a temporary clerk in the Hirkings Branch, Victoria Barracks, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment in the City Court on three charges of having communicated secret documents to persons unauthorised to see them and of having worn a military uniform without authority.

During the hearing two men were referred to as Mr. X and Mr. Y.

The documents mentioned in the charges were the most important in the Commonwealth and one, containing matter which should be seen by very few people, was a file concerning the Chief of the General Staff and the Prime Minister, said the Commonwealth Prosecutor (Mr. C. B. Brown).

Mr. C. H. Auty, who appeared for McHutchison, said that although the documents bore secret stamps it should not be assumed that they were extremely secret. Apparently messenger boys could read these documents as they carried them from room to room and McHutchison was not "the only bigger in the wood-pile."

It might well be that there was a good deal of disorder in the Intelligence Department and this was a way of washing dirty linen in public said Mr. Auty.

At one stage Mr. Brown said that Document 56 was still missing and Mr. Mohr, P.M. said, "I have Document 56 here. It is pinned on the back of Document 54."

**MR. X AND MR. Y**

Outlining the evidence, Mr. Brown said McHutchison was a civilian clerk in the office of the Engineers Services Branch, Army Headquarters, Victoria Barracks. He had been employed there about 10 months after May 22 last year.

As a result of something Brigadier-General Murdoch said to him Lieut-Col. Davey had sent for McHutchison and a clerk named Giraud. When it was put to him McHutchison denied having altered the date on Document 54.

Giraud said to McHutchison, "I have seen you at various times passing documents and papers to Mr. X and another person."

Giraud, in evidence, said he had seen McHutchison pass an envelope in a surreptitious manner to a Mr. Y. Because of several incidents he was suspicious of McHutchison, Mr. X and Mr. Y.

**SAW SECRET SHEET**

Alfred Dudley Titheridge, Bur-  
wood Rd., Hawthorn, an engineer

in a shell hole in Flanders he had not developed. He was just a great big boy with an under-developed sense of responsibility and a de-  
light in showing off.

**Profiteering Ramp Continues  
Despite Government Control**

After nearly 13 months of controlled food prices in the Colony, some profiteering still exists. Outside controlled foodstuffs, and, especially in things called "luxuries," profiteering not only exists, but is definitely on the increase.

Things have come to such a head in Singapore that Government must step in to stop this racket on the part of unscrupulous "get-rich-quick" businessmen and merchants.

Daily complaints are received in the Malaya Tribune Office that would show the heartless methods employed by a certain type of businessman, who is determined to make his pile at the expense of buyers and whose sole excuse is the war.

To this person, the war is a blessing and he would naturally be the last person to help in bringing the war to a successful conclusion. In fact, he is a fifth columnist, in a way!

Since the beginning of this year there have been more than 100 successful prosecutions against profiteers in the local courts.

They have been men who mostly overcharged on controlled foodstuffs and have been dealt with quite seriously in that they have been fined heavily. But has it proved a deterrent? The answer is definitely "NO." Is it, therefore, too much to suggest that the authorities treat future offenders more rigorously?

**SEVERE PUNISHMENT**

The scheme of controlled prices has been long enough in practice to overshadow any excuse of ignorance. When men profiteer at this stage, it is not unreasonable to assume that they are doing so deliberately, and, if so, it is generally agreed that the only punishment which would meet the case is rigorous imprisonment without the option of a fine.

Should the proper authorities adopt this form of punishment in future there is every hope of the situation improving.

Perhaps it may also prove to be the deterrent that would seem

**FOREIGN MAILS**

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 1st MAY, 1941.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—

Yunnan

Szechuan

Kweichow

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Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu)

Kwangsi

North and East of Kwantung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

**INWARD AIR MAILS**

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service" — San Francisco date, 28th April.	5th May
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service" — San Francisco date, 2nd May.	9th May

**OUTWARD AIR MAILS**

For	Date and Time
<b>FRIDAY</b>	
Mr. Auty, from the witness box, said he enlisted during the last war at the age of 17 and was still suffering from injuries he received.	Fri. 2nd May K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM G.P.O.
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".	Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
<b>MONDAY</b>	
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Service".	Mon. 5th K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
<b>FRIDAY</b>	
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".	Fri. 9th K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

**LONDON STALLS BAN "SMUT"**

Two big bookstall firms, Messrs. W. H. Smith and Son and Messrs. Wyman's, have decided to stop displaying copies of certain paper-covered editions of novels.

They have done this following a request from the Bishop of London and his associates on the Public Morality Council.

The Council wants to stop the display and sale of the books.

It objects mainly to the somewhat lurid covers on most of the books, which tend to give the impression that the stories deal too much with sex.

These novels are written by American authors of the "nature in the raw" school of fiction.

**CRUDE, BUT—**

The one which set the Public Morality Council in action was called "No Orchids for Miss Blandish." Its cover showed a beautiful woman in the semi-nude.

"We have had letters from people all over the country about these new paper-backed novels, which sell at a shilling each," Mr. G. Tomlinson, secretary of the Council, said, "and we bought copies and read them all."

"I must say that while they were crude, strong stuff, they did not shock me so much as I thought they might do."

"We wrote to Messrs. W. H. Smith and Messrs. Wyman's, and these firms agreed to stop displaying the books."

A representative of Messrs. W. H. Smith told a reporter: "We don't want to offend the public, and if some people feel the covers of the books are offensive then we try to meet their wishes."

**NOT CENSORS**

"At the same time we do not set ourselves up as censors of public taste in literature, so we have told our bookstalls not to show the books any more, but to take orders for them if they are asked for."

A representative of Messrs. Rich and Cowan, who have brought out the latest book, called "He Won't Need It Now," with a red-headed girl in green on the cover, laughed when I saw him.